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# SETTLING UP.

## Executive Committee Farmers' Institute Meets.

## WILL HAVE A BALANCE

### On Hand for Next Year—Institute was Most Successful Financially Ever Held in the County.

The members of the executive committee of the Macon County Farmers' Institute held a meeting in the office of the county clerk this afternoon. The purpose of the meeting was to settle up all claims against the institute. The institute this year was more successful from a financial standpoint than any ever held here in previous years. The total amount received from the sale of produce on exhibit was $147.59. The amount received from advertising was $65.25, making the total receipts $212 84. The expenses were $139.26 leaving a balance on hand if $73.58. The institute will receive from the state $50 and this will make over $100 that the institute will have on hand to begin work next year.

One matter which the committee had to decide today was the question as to who was to receive that prize for the largest pumpkin. Ottenheimer and Co. offered a $2 hat for the largest pumpkin exhibited. While the institute was in session the committee having in charge the awarding of the exhibits put the blue ribbon on a pumpkin exhibited by Mr. Sensenbaugh of Oakley, thinking that the prize was for the best pumpkin. It was afterward learned by the judges that the prize was for the largest and not for the best pumpkin and the award changed to a pumpkin exhibited by Samuel Weaver. It is claimed by some that the pumpkin exhibited by Mr. Weaver was not a pumpkin but was a squash, so on account of the change made by the judges the matter was left with the executive committee That body at their meeting this afternoon confirmed the action of the judges and allowed the $2 hat to Mr. Weaver and also awarded $1 to Mr. Sensenbaugh.

## ABOUT THAT LOAN.

### The Mayor Says He Will Not Accept Any Interest from the City.

It has been stated that Mayor Taylor was to receive interest on the $5000 which he loaned to the city to tide over the present financial embarrassment, but as a matter of fact the mayor has refused positively to accept any interest on the loan. In speaking of the matter Mr. Taylor said that he never wanted any interest and would not accept it and if the city insisted on his taking the money he would accept it and then turn it over to some of the charitable organizations to be used for the poor.

### The Sheriff Broke Down.

At the close of the hanging of James Mingle for child murder at Springfield yesterday, Sheriff Baxter, who performed his duties thoroughly, broke down. The State Journal says: "The sheriff, who had conducted himself with remarkable nerve through the trying ordeal, was overcome at its conclusion and burst into tears. 'It certainly went off nicely,' he said in broken accents, in reply to a friendly handshake. I held my nerve but it's a hard job to do. The only thing now that weakens me is my friends congratulating me. That hurts worst of all.'"

### Injured at School.

Carl Wise, the young son of Henry B. Wise, received a painful injury while playing in the yard of the Wood street school yesterday. The children were running up and down the school yard and Carl ran into a boy who was running from the opposite direction. Their heads bumped together and a gash two inches long was cut in Carl's forehead. The side of the face was also severely bruised. Dr. Everett J. Brown dressed the injuries, taking several stitches in the cut, which was deep and bled profusely.

Herman Behrens of Dewey and Miss Gussie Menser of Rantoul will be married February 22.


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## STILL ON GUARD

### No Truth in Story that Lee Will Quit Havana

## DELAY IN SPAIN'S REPLY

### Expectation that the De Lome Incident will be Satisfactorily Adjusted—Madrid Press Outspoken.

Washington, Feb. 14.—The state department has officially denied the reports alleging that Consul General Lee has resigned. It can be stated also that while the details are not obtainable matters regarding the De Lome incident have assumed such shape that an early and entirely satisfactory adjustment of the affair is confidently expected by the state department.

**The Spanish Press.**

Madrid, Feb. 14.—The El Liberal, commenting on the De Lome letter, says that it is a private document. It is semi-officially stated that official claims cannot be founded on a private letter and that Spain acted rightly in accepting the resignation of De Lome, and the ministers further declare that any claims whatever are inadmissable.

**Lively on the Sound.**

New London, Conn., Feb. 14.—Customs officials arrived at 4 o'clock this morning and boarded a tug, which steamed out into Long Island sound. It is stated they are instructed to patrol the eastern end of the sound to intercept a suspected filibustering expedition.

## ALTON SCHOOL CASE.

### Colored Citizens Win a Victory in the Supreme Court.

Springfield, Ill., Feb. 14.—The supreme court Saturday observed Lincoln's birthday by sustaining the demurrer to the petition filed in the Alton school case. This is practically a victory for the colored citizens of Alton, who want to send their children to the public schools there. The case was brought under the title of the people on relation of Scott Bibb against the Mayor and City of Alton, and was brought by Bibb to compel the school board of Alton to admit two of his children to the Washington school at that city A writ of mandamus was prayed from the supreme court, a demurrer was filed by the attorneys for the city of Alton and a replication to the demurrer was made by the counsel for the colored people. General Palmer will now ask the supreme court to grant a peremptory writ, compelling the school board to allow the Bibb children to attend the Washington school.

The board of education at Alton, aided by an ordinance passed by the city council and signed by the mayor, erected two public school buildings and ordered that all colored children should attend them. They claim that the schools were crowded, and that it was the desire of the board to provide separate schools for colored and white children by reason of an ordinance of the city council. The colored citizens set up the plea that this was discrimination and a violation of the civil rights law.

Chief Justice Jesse J. Phillips, who rendered the decision of the court, dissented. He said that there were 12 special causes of demurrer assigned, and that he believed that a number of the causes were defective, but that it was the opinion of a majority of the court that special causes of demurrer were well taken.

## RUSH TO THE KLONDIKE.

### 700 a Week Leave Seattle for the Gold Fields.

Seattle, Wash., Feb. 14.—The crowd surging through Seattle to the northern gold fields is cosmopolitan in the highest degree. Every state in the union is represented, and men are found from Europe, South Africa and Australia. The crowd is estimated at from 2000 to 5000 persons. A conservative figure would fix the number of actual Klondikers at 2000. The passenger lists of the steamship company show average departures of 700 a week. Up to the present the largest number to sail in one week from Seattle, exclusive of other ports on Puget Sound, has been 845 for the last week in January. Transportation facilities are being increased so that in March the Seattle-Alaska fleet will number 42 steamers and 34 sailing craft, with an aggregate tonnage of 5,470, and a capacity to carry 12,500 passengers per trip. Counting two trips per month, the total number of passengers would be 25,000, or at least 75,000 for the spring rush. Transportation men are confident that between 80,000 and 100,000 will come before summer and that all will be taken care of.

## LEITER WHEAT.

### It is Going to London by Rail and by Steamer.

Chicago, Feb. 14.—Contracts have been closed at New York to ship in all 4,000,000 bushels of Leiter's wheat. The Lehigh Valley line is to take out 500,000 bushels at once. Orders were sent to the Armour elevator for 1,500,000 bushels No. 1 northern. Cars were also ordered by the Grand Trunk railway to take the wheat. Orders will be given for the loading of 500,000 bushels to go out by the Lake Shore. This wheat is to go direct to London and Liverpool on a rate of 32 cents per 100 pounds, or 19.20 cents per bushel. Ocean room has been engaged at New York to load 500,000 bushels this month, and the grain must be rushed out. The inland rate from Chicago to New York is said to be 15 cents per 100 pounds.

**Loading Up.**

Philadelphia, Feb. 14.—Fifteen steamers are here loading with grain from the west. The aggregate capacity is over 3,000,000 bushels. Thirteen others are under charter for the same purpose.

## TRIAL SENSATION.

### Developments at Paris in the Emile Zola Arraignment.

Paris, Feb. 14.—In the Zola trial Bertillion, the handwriting expert, said that he thought it impossible to ask the minister of war for the incriminating documents seized at the residence of Dreyfus, which, according to Bertillion's testimony Saturday, would enable him to prove that Dreyfus wrote the Bordereau. Being pressed by Zola's counsel as to how, unless he had seen the secret documents, he was able to prove at the court martial that Dreyfus wrote the bordereau, answered that he could not explain without the documents which were no longer in his possession. This statement caused a sensation in court. Zola's counsel demanded that the advocate general compel the witness to answer. The advocate general made no reply.

As Bertillion left the stand Zola's counsel said: "And that's the man on whose evidence Dreyfus was convicted."

## ENGLAND IS READY.

### Balfour Announces that Government Anxious for International Agreement.

London, Feb. 14.—Replying to a question in the house of commons whether the government intended to co-operate in promoting the international currency conference, Balfour, the government leader, said he was happy to say that the government would be very glad to see international agreement regarding the currency, but had nothing to add to the information already in possession of the house.

## TELEGRAPH BREVITIES.

The new Christian church at Paris was dedicated Sunday by Dr. Rains of Cincinnati. The church cost $40,000. Congressman A. J. Hunter gave $10,000 and L. A. Augustus gave the lot and $10,000.

The opera house at Moline was destroyed by fire Sunday night. It cost $35,000. The effects of the Arnold Fun Makers' troupe, which arrived Sunday were consumed.

Sunday at Quincy the Catholics dedicated a new church, which cost $70,000. Bishop Ryan of Alton was present and confirmed a class of 12 boys and girls.

Hon. Ivory H. Pike at Bloomington has been indicted for making an assault upon Mrs. Klawitter of Normal.

The Chicago Portland Cement company plant at Hawthorne was destroyed by fire Sunday. Loss $100,000; insurance $50,000.

**Draper's Case.**

In the circuit court at Jacksonville Saturday elaborate arguments were heard by Judge Shirley for and against the motion for a new trial in the Charles L. Draper murder case. Decision will not be given until next Saturday afternoon. If the motion is denied, the prisoner will be sent to the penitentiary for life on the verdict of the jury.

**Visible Supply.**

Chicago, Feb. 14.—The visible supply of grain is as follows: Wheat 35,686,000, corn 38,572,000, oats 14,012,000, rye 3,948,000, barley 9,668,000.

## OUR CONGRESS

### Action in the Senate and House on Cuba.

## STIRRING RUMORS AFLOAT

### Members Endorse the Committee Report on the Williams Resolution Which Asks for Much Information.

Washington, Feb. 14.—In the senate the committee on foreign relations reported unfavorably on the amendment of Senator Allen of Nebraska to the diplomatic and consular appropriation bill, recognizing the belligerency of the Cuban insurgents. The report said that while the committee opposed making it part of the bill, the senate nevertheless was in favor, and had so expressed itself, on belligerency, and would welcome action by the house to the same end.

CUBA IN THE HOUSE.

In the house the resolution calling for correspondence between Germany and the United States relative to the exclusion of our fruit; also the resolution regarding the situation in Cuba, were adopted. There was no excitement.

In expectation of an attempt to amend the resolution, notice was sent out last night to all Republican members of the house to be present at the opening and rumors of all sorts were flying about before the house met, including one that the president would send in a special Cuban message, but nothing of the sort developed, and the resolution was adopted without division. Williams' resolution, as modified by the committee, called on the state department for information concerning the present condition of the reconcentrados in Cuba; whether they had been permitted to return to their estates in any considerable numbers; whether any considerable amount of land was being cultivated by them; what steps, if any, were taken by Spain for feeding them, or otherwise preventing them from starving and suffering; whether Spain had given them necessary military protection to enable the mills to grind cane; what progress was made in Spain's efforts to induce the Cubans to accept autonomy; what is the condition of Cuba since the advent of the Blanco regime, and asking for copies of all consular and other reports on the subjects mentioned.

SHARP TALK.

Mr. Quigg, Republican of New York, member of the foreign affairs committee, made a brief statement, saying that in December the president notified the house that the indefensible policy of concentration in Cuba had been abandoned by Spain in deference to the reputed requests of our government and a more humane policy adopted. The object of the resolution was simply to ascertain what had been done and what steps had been taken looking to the acceptance of autonomy by the Cuban people. Three months have elapsed since autonomy was promulgated. Mr. Quigg demanded the previous question, but yielded for five minutes to Mr. Dinsmore (Dem., Ark.) the minority member of the foreign affairs committee, who said the resolution had been reported unanimously by the committee. Its purpose was to put the house and the country in possession of the real facts of the condition of the people in Cuba, both in military and private life, in order to determine what responsibility was placed on us to bring about the conclusion of the war and end the existing distress. Representative Terry (Dem., Ark.) asked Mr. Quigg if the De Lome incident had been considered by the committee. Mr. Quigg replied that the inquiry was not pertinent. Mr. Terry retorted that it was a pertinent inquiry in the minds of the American people. Mr. Quigg replied that it was being considered by the proper authorities. The resolution was adopted without dissent and the house took up the District of Columbia business.

NOMINATIONS.

The president nominated Lee Stover of South Dakota, to be register of the land office at Watertown, S. D.; G. W. Case of South Dakota, to be receiver of public money at Watertown, S. D.

## ANOTHER BICYCLE THIEF.

### Gave Himself Up to the Police This Morning and Confessed His Crime.

George Scott, a 16 year old colored boy came to the police headquarters this morning and gave himself up to the police. The officers have been looking for the boy for several days. He is one of the party who stole a bicycle from Fred Baldwin and also one from Homer Jaque. Will and Sherman Moore, two other colored boys, were arrested several days ago. They confessed to the theft of the wheel from Jaque but would not admit that they stole the wheel from Baldwin. To day Scott confessed the whole thing. He said that the party would send the smaller Moore boy to jump on a wheel and ride it away and then they would all get together and sell the wheel and divide the profits. Scott was at Mattoon and has been running around trying to escape the police. This morning he returned to his home and his mother told him to go to police headquarters and give himself up. The entire trio are liable to go to the reform school. Scott is a bright colored boy. He attended the High school and was unusually bright in his studies. This is his first criminal offense or at least the first time that he has been found out.

## "HALF A KING"

### Will be the Opera Francis Wilson and Company Will Present.

The Republican today received a very pleasant call from Mr. Ariel Barney, business manager for the Francis Wilson opera company, who was accompanied by Manager Given. Mr. Wilson and his company of 54 people are now filling an engagement in St. Louis and will appear at the Grand on Monday evening, February 21. The company will produce the popular "Half a King" opera, displaying several carloads of special scenery and novel electric effects during the three acts This will be the first visit of Mr. Wilson and his company to Decatur and it will be the only opera company to fill an engagement at the Grand during the present season. Music loving playgoers will no doubt fill the hall. It will be one of the best treats of the year.

## ADDRESSED THE STUDENTS

### Gen. Marden, of Lowell, Mass., Spoke at the High School This Morning.

General Marden of Lowell, Mass., who is visiting in the city, made an address at the High school this morning before the members of the junior and senior class. Mr. Marden spoke of the advantages of the present school system and compared the schools of today with those he attended when he was young. The speech was quite interesting to the students Principal Frank Hamsher has requested the senior class to have a speaker every Monday morning. A committee of the seniors has charge of the matter and an effort will be made to have someone each week address the students.

## STILL ANOTHER CHARGE.

### Harrington Taken to Springfield To-Day by Sheriff Nicholson.

John Harrington was taken to Springfield this morning by Sheriff Nicholson to answer a charge of bigamy. Harrington has had a good many things to answer for lately. He was first arrested for selling mortgaged property. Then he attempted to saw the bars at the county jail and break out. He failed in this and while he was in jail another charge was brought against him. Saturday his time in jail expired, but he is wanted at Springfield and Sheriff Nicholson took the prisoner to that city this morning. He will be called to answer the charge of bigamy.

## SPEDON TO-NIGHT.

### Artist Entertainer at the Christian Tabernacle.

Mr. S. M. Spedon, the celebrated platform entertainer will appear at the Christian tabernacle tonight and will be greeted by a large audience. "Character and Characteristics" will be the subject. The press everywhere unite in giving Mr. Spedon unstinted praise.

**Recovering from the Injury.**

Joe Ruby, who fell down a stairway at Harry Fisk's office on North Water street Saturday night, is recovering from his injuries. His head was badly bruised and he was in an unconscious condition for some time, but today he is much better and beginning to recover.

**In the Trust.**

The Decatur Cracker factory is now in the Biscuit company trust. Mr. A. W. Conklin has large blocks of stock in the trust and will continue as manager of the flourishing Decatur industy.

**Military News.**

Paris, Feb. 14.—The garrison of Paris has been reinforced by troops from Versailles.

**Irish Editor Dead.**

Dublin, Feb. 14.—C. Redmond, founder of the Waterford News, is dead.

## A ROSY REPORT

### Annual Statement of Civil Service Commission

## AGAINST ANY CHANGE IN LAW

### A Comparison of Alleged Benefits of the System—Economy and Efficiency is Much Better.

Washington, Feb. 14.—The annual report of the civil service commission for the year ending June 30 has been presented to the president. It begins with a statement to show that after an experience of nearly 15 years the hopes of the advocates of civil service law have been largely realized. Considering the few changes in the service under the merit system and the wholesale removals under the patronage system, the economy and efficiency of the one stand in striking contrast to the extravagance and inefficiency of the other. Since 1883 when the commission was organized, unclassified positions increased 37 per cent in number and 43 per cent in cost, while the classified positions remained at a standstill. The commission say they are constantly making the examinations more practical. The commission deprecates the proposition to limit the tenure of office, pointing out that it would not only impair the efficiency of the service, but open the door for political influence.

## THE FINAL ARGUMENTS

### In Case of Thomason vs. Wabash are Being Made in Circuit Court.

The trial of the $5000 damage suit of Judd Thomason vs. the Wabash railroad will be finished this evening. The lawyers in the case began their final arguments this afternoon and when they finish the case will go to the jury.

The following were the entries on the dockets today:

CHANCERY CASES.

Edward J. Rivard vs. Dudley D. Risley et al; foreclosure. Demurrer to amended cross bill.

William H. Long vs. Zacharia Cuddington; chancery. Dismissed by complainant at his costs.

Rosa Belle Hoover vs. Thomas Hoover; divorce. Proof of publication made and rule to answer by tomorrow morning.

Daniel Knotts vs. Charles E. Howard et al; foreclosure. Suit dismissed by complainant at his costs.

Fredrich Dipper vs. Anna Hamsher et al; foreclosure. Decree pro confesso on cross bill and original and referred for proof and conclusion.

William H. Nickey vs. Rosalie A. Rosen et al; foreclosure. Referred for proof and conclusion.

COMMON LAW CASES.

Annie Diehl vs. J. R. Gorin, administrator, appellant; appeal from county court. Motion to vacate rule.

Thomas O'Keefe vs. Samuel H Jameson; assumpsit. Suit dismissed at costs of plaintiff.

Charles C. Randolph vs. Hans Tay; assumpsit. Demurrer to amended declaration.

Charles C. Randolph vs. C. H. Hopwood; assumpsit. Motion allowed and default set aside at terms. Costs in cause including default and subsequent.

**The Water-Meter Incubus.**

Editor Republican:—The proposition to compel, or even to urgently solicit, every citizen who uses the public water to put in a water meter, should be frowned upon by our council, for several reasons. In the first place the ordinary householder does not care to add to the machinery of his household. With his system of plumbing, steam heating or hot air furnace, the average citizen is kept sufficiently in hot water and made to fall from grace quite often enough as it is, without adding a machine to measure water by the gallon some days and by the barrel some other days. Then the citizen justly objects to the expense this will entail upon him and is only necessary in the interest of those who make these appliances. Then it will surely curtail the income of the water department. Yet the householder who now pays only $5 per annum will find that he must pay more, and he will certainly want to know why. Then when we have all been compelled to put in metres, and the revenues have diminished, there will be a move made to raise the rate to 20 cents, where 10 cents is now charged by the meter. If our aldermen have any faint appreciation of the stringency of the times and the general financial distress of our citizens, they will wait for better times before entertaining any propositions of this character. For one, I am convinced that at the present time we need a fire alarm system about as badly as most wagons need five wheels. A few others think differently, yet I wish that $1600 still belonged to the city of Decatur. In conclusion let me say that if our aldermen want to hear some pretty strong talk about hoodling, I would advise them to hasten to compel us all to put in water meters. This is no time to increase the burden of the taxpayer. If each man, woman and child in the city uses 100 gallons of water per day, there is a great big leak, that our water inspector has not found. Possibly that $1000 could be saved. S. J. BUMSTEAD.

## VALENTINE DAY.

### Incidents About Town and at Various Residences.

Several of the young women of Linn & Scruggs store will entertain their friends tonight at a valentine party to be given at the home of Miss Mayme Williams of North College street.

Miss Amelia Trainer will entertain friends this evening. The diversions will be in keeping with the day.

The employes of Linn & Scruggs were given a great deal of amusement by the distribution of valentines from the valentine box at the store today.

Mrs. George Fisk entertained a number of friends at dinner yesterday in honor of her birthday anniversary. Those present were Misses Lillian Fletcher, Grace Hubbard, Fleta Downing, Nellie Ackerman, Messrs. Ned Freeman, Ralph Conklin, Hal Snyder, Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Donahue.

## DIXON ON CUBA.

### Thomas Dixon, the New York Preacher—Here To-morrow.

Rev. Thomas Dixon, Jr., who is to lecture for the Y. M. C. A. course tomorrow night, electrified a great audience at New York Sunday morning in his denunciation of De Lome. A special telegram from New York to the St. Louis Republic adds: "Dixon's remarks were cheered to the echo, and the audience that crowded the big building shouted, "Let us get at the Spaniards!" "Let there be war!" "Down with the woman slayers!" and other remarks of a similar strain.

The audience cheered lustily, and there were shouts of "Kick De Lome out!" "Let's fight!" and "Give it to him!" from every part of the house.

**Jaw Bone Removed.**

Dr. J. F. Fribley, the dentist, on Saturday afternoon removed a large portion of the upper jaw bone of J. F. Belden of Prairie Hall. The bone was removed within an eighth of an inch of the floor o' the eye. The operation was made necessary because of an abscess of the antrum resulting from bad teeth.

**Contest Claim.**

In the mater of the assignment of Edward White & Co., in the county court today the assignors filed a contest to the claim of J. L. Drake. Judge Hammer set the hearing for February 18, at 1:30 o'clock.

**Miss Page-Wright.**

Miss Mary Page-Wright, the missionary, spoke at the Congregational church Saturday and Sunday, giving many interesting facts about Turkey and the people. She was greeted by large congregations.

**Petition for Guardian.**

In the county court today Samuel B. Troutman filed a petition asking that a guardian be appointed for Jacob H. and Asa B. Troutman.

**Births.**

Born, to Dr. and Mrs. F. A. Warnes of North Main street, on February 13, a son.

—Born, to Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Cook, West Macon street, Saturday, February 12, at 10:30 p. m., a son.

**Will Give a Party.**

Mrs. Frank Slaudeman will give a dinner party this evening at her home on South Webster street. The affair will be in honor of Mrs. Moulton of Chicago.

**Will be Tried Tomorrow.**

The three colored boys who are in jail for stealing bicycles will be tried at 1:30 o'clock tomorrow afternoon before Justice Hardy.

Next Thursday evening at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Nelson in Chicago, the Kenwood Charity club will give an entertainment. There are eight vocal and instrumental numbers on the program, including selections by Miss Lena Nelson and by George Dunston and Miss Beatrice Howard of Decatur.

—The last of the series of dances given by the Fellowship club this season will be given on the evening of March 16.

# BRADLEY BROS.' GREAT OPENING SALE of

# *Wash Goods and White Goods.*

**Including Dimities, Lawns, Percales, Ginghams, Madras Cloths, Swisses, Organdies, Challies, Batiste and Embroidered Linens.**

## Wash Goods.

One case of Printed Dimities on white grounds at 8c yd.

One case of Finer Dimities at 10c yd.

One box of Wide Percales; light and dark colors, all new, at 10c yd.

One box of New Percales, light and dark colors, at 6c yd.

One case of Light Plaid Ginghams, Spring Shades, at 7c yd.

One case of Fine Fast Colored Dress Ginghams, light shades for Spring, at 10c yard.

25 pieces of Silver Star Madras, 36 inches wide at 15c yd.

Standard Madras Cloths for Skirts and Waists, at 15c yd

32-inch Scotch Plaid Ginghams at 20c yd.

Silk Plaid Ginghams at 25c yd.

50 pieces of Corded Dimities at 12½c yd—all the new colors and combinations.

Imported Dimities in new patterns at 18c yd.

Fine Irish Dimities at 22c yd.

Embroidered Dimities at 25c yd.

Irish Mull Plaids, in choice colors, at 17c yd.

Fancy Printed Organdies at 15c yd.

High Colored Plain Organdies, in pink, blue, cardinal, lemon and Nile, at 18c yard.

High Colors in Embroidered Dotted Swisses at 22d yd.

Embroidered Linens, sheer effects, at 22c yard.

Fine French Organdies, printed in this country, at 25c yd.

Fine French Organdies, printed abroad, at 35c yd.

Fine All Wool French Shallies.

Fine Silk and Wool Challies.

## A Sale of White Goods.

Our Opening Display and Sale of White Goods commences to-day.

To those requiring confirmation or graduating dresses, or bridal trousseaux, this will be a golden opportunity.

As these goods cannot be bought later in the season at double the price we now offer them.

Never have we shown as large a stock as at present. Never have the prices been so low.

## Mouseline de Soie.

Among the latest Novelties in White Goods we will show the new Mouseline de Soie. (This is not the kind of Mouseline de Soie you know about.) It is entirely new and is especially adapted for Graduating Dresses. We show them also in colors.

This material is not shown elsewhere in this city.

## Paris Muslin.

We are showing exceptional values in Paris Muslin; very fine sheer quality, 2 yards wide, at 39c, 49c, and 59c and up.

Bradley Bros
DRY GOODS & MILLINERY
Decatur Ill.

## French Organdies.

Beautiful quality, specially finished for fine trade, at 12½c, 18c, 20c, 28c, 35c and up.

## Persian Mulls.

The best value ever shown in this city, at 18c, 20c, 25c, 35c yd. and up.

## Swiss Mulls.

We are showing some very great bargains in Swiss Mulls at 10c, 12½c, 18c and up.

## India Linens.

We will show extraordinary values in India Linen; a fine sheer quality, at 5c yd., usually sold at 8 and 10c yd.

## Plaid Laconets.

We are showing all the new checks and stripes, and a special bargain at 5c yd.

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We are showing some exclusive styles; a very great bargain in checks and stripes at 7c yd.

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### LOSS OF VISUAL ACUTENESS

**Reasons That Tend to Make Children Need Glasses.**

It is interesting to compare the visual acuteness of the normal eye before and after the effect of some purely physical cause, that may be within the realm of either nature or civilization. Taking a few instances of each for illustration, I will cite from nature first. It is well known that severe illness greatly impairs the acuteness of vision of an otherwise strong eye. Almost the first thing a convalescent will do is to call for a book or newspaper to while away the tedium of the sickroom. Unless warned not to try his eyes too much, he is apt, through forgetfulness, to overtask his accommodative powers or injure the already weakened ciliary muscle. When the rest of his body recovers its normal strength the eye continues weak. After straining the eyes more in the vain hope that his sight will improve, the person, if he is wise, will consult experienced help; if otherwise, he will pick up the first pair of spectacles available, regardless of whether they be too strong or too weak for his eyes. Should he finally go to an optician, the latter will often find it difficult to fit glasses satisfactorily.

Other natural causes that affect eyes are wind, dust, light and heat, when excessive. Eyes otherwise good enough become weak under such conditions. The weakness may be due to an error of refraction, and under most conditions the accommodative power of the eye is strong enough to overcome the error. But under such atmospheric or climatic conditions as I have mentioned the accommodation is lessened, and the eye cannot find relief, except by the use of glasses. They should generally be convex.

Having mentioned those losses of visual acuteness due to natural causes, next in order are causes produced by civilization. At the outset I will say that if the patient were to change his occupation and take plenty of fresh air and exercise, the optician's services might never be needed; but these "ifs" are in the way, and are not to be gotten rid of by the average individual.

Take the boy from the country, bring him to town and place him at clerical work, writing perhaps all day and into the night. Put him behind a counter, and let him stand all day, with one hour free out of 12 or more, or let him sit at a work bench, following a trade that keeps his eyes fixed steadily hour after hour, 12 to 18 inches in front of him. Take this same youth, with hitherto good eyes, and bid him use them day in and day out, reading for a profession; or let him occupy his time in a dimly lighted room or bend over a task beneath artificial light all the time. I might go on, giving instance after instance, without particularizing any calling as more harmful than others to the eyes.

Is it a wonder that the children of this generation are wearing glasses along with their grandsires? Old age is no longer the reason for wearing glasses. In nine cases out of ten the young man needs a convex glass to assist his overtaxed eyes in fulfilling their duties

In addition to these causes of weakened vision it is hardly necessary to mention the common evils of tobacco and alcoholic stimulants. Again, if the strong constitution of a boy cannot save his eyes from their thousand and one uses, how can frail women escape? The ever-increasing army of women workers in shops and offices, and the new avenues of employment opening to them, swell the number of spectacle wearers. It has been my purpose to point out that it is not the serious and very plain errors of refraction that cause the most of an optician's patronage, and he must often attribute the loss of visual acuteness to other causes. —Dr. H. Ruth, in Jeweler's Weekly.

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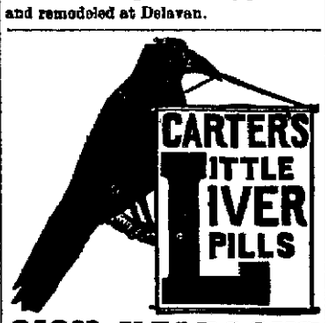


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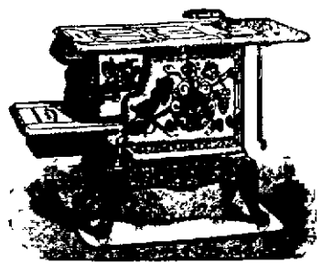

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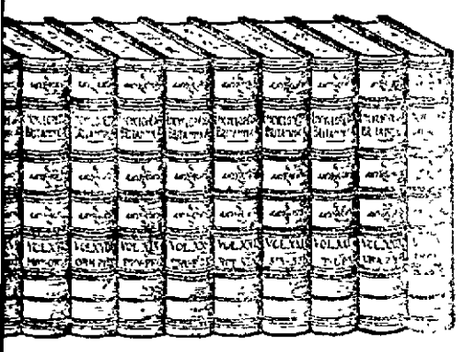

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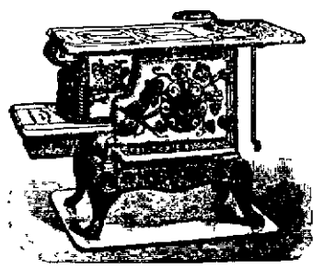

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## LOCAL NEWS.

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The Reed & Son's piano is sold at the C. B. Prescott music house is without question the model instrument for the home and concert hall. See it.

Jeremiah Collins of Pontiac has a glass case of cherries which were sealed up 38 years ago. They retain their color and shape and appear to be perfectly preserved.

The new Allerton library at Monticello has 472 patrons enrolled and more than 350 books in constant circulation. It is regarded as a great success and benefaction to the town.

The 77 acres of land in Blue Mound township belonging to Elijah Bunday were sold Saturday through the agency of P. H. Brueck to Thomas P Mathews for $3000.

The Mrs. Cassell assembly dance will not be held at the armory until tomorrow evening. The hall is engaged for tonight by the street car men.

At a meeting of the Ladies' society of the Congregational church held after the lecture of Mary Page Wright Saturday afternoon Mrs. Crary was elected as chairman of the missionary committee of the society to take the place of Mrs. E. P. Johnson, who resigned on account of ill health.

Saturday afternoon on his arrival from Springfield S. B. Moll was arrested by Deputy Sheriff Stabler on a capias charging him with embezzlement of funds alleged to belong to his uncle. Mr. Moll immediately furnished bond in the sum of $600, the surety being W. P. Shade Mr. Moll is confident that he will be able at the hearing, if the case ever comes to trial, to secure his acquittal.

### Democrats.

The Illinois state Democratic convention will be held at Springfield May 17.

### Baptist Choir.

The Baptist church music committee has engaged a choir to lead the music at the church. The choir is composed of Mrs. Wilmuth, Mrs. Adolph Mueller, Al. E. Lindawood and Henry Kepler.

### Chester Wood's Condition.

Chester Wood, the 13 year old son of Frank Wood, who was run over by an Illinois Central train at the William street crossing Saturday afternoon was not fatally injured but will be confined to his home for a long time as a result of the injury. Drs. Dixon and Birk, who were called to attend the boy found it necessary to amputate a part of the foot because it was so badly crushed. It is hoped that no further amputation will be necessary and if it is not the boy will have the use of his ankle joint and a part of the foot

### Eddie Cook.

Lincoln News: At Havana, Monday, February 21, Eddie Cook will be called to trial again to answer to the charge of murder The desperate fight made by Cook since the first verdict of murder was rendered has depleted his pocketbook and taken from him the land interests which were given him by an indulgent mother. Unless some hitch occurs he will enter again on trial upon the date set and a jury will be asked to avenge the death of Minnie Bennett.


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# THAT REVOLVER

## Statement from State's Attorney Giving Facts.

## EFFORTS TO TRACE OWNERSHIP

### Details of What was Done Before and During the Trial of Jack Faunce—Copies of Letters.

The following is a statement given to the public by State's Attorney Mills in reference to the revolver with which Mat McKinley was killed on the night of July 8, 1889:

So many reports have been circulated in relation to the revolver that was found in the alley on the night that Mat McKinley was killed, that I have, in justice to the officers connected with the prosecution of Faunce, been induced to make this public statement.

As I understand it, these reports cover the following points:

1. That the real revolver that was found, was not produced on the trial of Faunce.

2. That the revolver that was found, had the name of Joe Mauzy upon it, or at least some special marks by which it was or could be identified as his revolver

3. That the revolver now in the possession of Coroner Bendure, is not the revolver found in the alley, but is longer and not so heavy.

I will say that I will give $100 to charity for sufficient proof to satisfy Mr. Crea of the truthfulness of either of the above propositions.

On the night of the murder a boy by the name of Skimmerhorn found a revolver in the alley near the place of the shooting; this boy turned this revolver over to Officer Ed Leach who kept it until morning, when it went into the hands of Coroner Bendure This statement is based on what I was told about the revolver on the morning following the murder.

On the morning following the murder the revolver was brought to my office by Coroner Bendure. I then took the number of the revolver, which was 88,307, and instituted an immediate search among the local dealers with a hope to find the person to whom it had been sold. The records of these dealers were thoroughly searched, but a record of the purchase or sale of this revolver could not be found. As soon after the coroner's inquest as my time would permit I wrote to the Smith & Wesson factory in Massachusetts for information as to when and to whom they had sold this revolver, giving the number and description of it. Soon afterward I received the following letter:

"Springfield, Massachusetts, July 29, 1889—I. R. Mills, Esq., Decatur, Illinois. Dear Sir: Respecting your inquiry of July 19, we beg to say our double action revolver 88,307 was shipped from factory October 3, 1883, to Messrs. Hibbard, Spencer, Bartlett & Co., Chicago. Yours truly, Smith & Wesson."

On the receipt of this letter, I immediately wrote the following letter to Hibbard, Spencer, Bartlett & Co.:

"Decatur, Illinois, July 24, 1889.—Messrs. Hibbard, Spencer, Bartlett & Co., Chicago, Ill. Gentlemen: On October 3, 1883, Smith & Wesson of Springfield, Massachusetts, sold to you a double action 38 revolver, No. 88,307, of their make. It has become necessary for me as state's attorney of Macon county, Illinois, to trace the individual owner of this revolver on the night of July 8, 1889, in order to fix the identity of the person who committed a murder in our city that night. I would be under many obligations to you if you would inform me to whom you sold this revolver and the date upon which it was sold. I hope through this means to trace the ownership that night. Hoping to hear from you at your earliest convenience I have the pleasure of being, Truly Yours, I. R. Mills, State's Attorney."

In answer to this letter I received the following reply:

"Chicago, July 31, 1889. I. R. Mills, Esq., State's Attorney, Decatur, Illinois. Dear Sir: We regret that we could not answer your letter more promptly. We have been engaged in searching our records and find that we cannot give you the necessary information. The revolver was evidently sold by us between October 3, 1883, and January 1, 1884, as we did not open our record books until the latter date, and the revolver does not appear upon these books. We are very sorry we cannot help you out. Yours truly, Hibbard, Spencer, Bartlett & Co."

As the revolver now in the possession of Coroner Bendure and the one he lately produced before the grand jury is numbered 88,307, this correspondence that took place at once after the murder in connection with the positive statement of Mr. Bendure that on the night of the murder he took the number of the revolver and that it has been in his possession constantly since that night or the following morning, should set at rest the question as to whether the revolver now in Mr. Bendure's possession is the revolver found in the alley, at least the revolver that Mr. Leach turned over as the revolver that was found in the alley.

Upon the question as to whether the revolver that was found in the alley was produced on the trial of Faunce, or was changed for a lighter and longer one, I would say that Mr. Bendure produced this very same revolver on the trial and it was constantly in the trial from the beginning to the end, open to the inspection of any one who wanted to see it.

As Officer Ed. Leach seems to be the authority for the rumor that the revolver produced upon the trial was not the revolver found in the alley, and that the revolver found in the alley was shorter and heavier than the one produced on the trial, I submit here a question and answer from the testimony of Mr. Leach on the trial of Faunce furnished me by the court reporter who reported the case:

"Q. You may examine this revolver I show you, and state whether it was a revolver like that, that you turned over to Officer Mason.

"A That is the revolver, I know it by the nicks in it."

This testimony of Officer Leach, taken with the statement of Officer Bendure would satisfy the most incredulous that the revolver used on the Faunce trial was the same revolver found in the alley, and that the officers are not justly chargeable with using a different revolver in order to shield a guilty person and convict an innocent man.

The rumor that the name of Joe Mauzy was on the revolver found in the alley and that it was cut off or that any of the numbers on the revolver were changed is as vicious as it is false. The present condition of the revolver is absolute proof that no such changes were ever made in it. The number appears at three different places in the metal of the revolver and could not be removed without so disfiguring it as to make it apparent.

Whether the revolver found was ever owned or possessed by Joe Mauzy, is a question the approaching trial may solve. If it can be proven that it was it will be a point against him. Any person that has any information on that question should disclose it to the prosecution.

I submit the foregoing statement, letters and evidence to show that in the trial of Faunce, there was absolute fairness in relation to the revolver and that these rumors have no real foundation.

I. R. MILLS.

## AT THE GRAND.

TONIGHT.

"Miss Francis of Yale," the latest eastern comedy success which is to be seen tonight is on the style of the Frohman-Daly comedies. Its essential ideas are orignal and unused, developing into a series of situations that are uproariously funny Michael Morton, the author of this success, is a well known dramatist, and the company is being managed by the English manager, Brenton Thorpe, who presents Etienne Girardot, known to all New York and London as the creator of "Charley's Aunt." Mr. Thorpe will present Etienne Girardot and "Miss Francis of Yale" in London, England after its present American tour. The company to be seen here contains among others such well known players as Messrs. Owen Westford, Raymund Capp, George F. Farren, Louis Grisel and the Misses Lavinda Shannon, Sarah McVicker, Monte Donico, Gertrude Homan and Idalene Cotton

"THE HEARTHSTONE."

James A. Herne's beautiful play "The Hearthstone," which comes to the opera house next Wednesday, February 16, is a companion play to "Shore Acres," which was also written by Mr. Herne. "The Hearthstone," constantly delights with unexpected yet most natural touches. The homely realism of the play is one of its most conspicuous charms, but one still more conspicuous and still more winning, is its sweetness and nobleness of tone, the constant and moving appeal it makes to what is best in human sentiment and feeling. It is not only a good play, but one that makes your goods The caste is superb, the scenery beautiful; in all it is one of the most delightful performances of the season.

"THE SPAN OF LIFE."

William Calder, the American manager, who went to England some years ago with the "White Slave," and who purchased while in London that marvelously constructed drama, "The Span of Life," from the author, Mr. Sutton Vane, will personally supervise its production here next Friday night, February 18. Mr. Calder declares that "The Span of Life" is his most profitable investment, and although he has several other theatrical enterprises both here and in Europe, "The Span of Life" continues to be his favorite. It will be presented this season with every stitch of the scenery new, and with the same remarkable mechanical effects that have heretofore distinguished it. The Donazetti Trio of acrobats have been especially engaged for the "human bridge."

### Verdict for $3000.

In the circuit court at Monticello in the $15,000 damage case of Mrs. Cole vs. James Brown, the jury gave the plaintiff a verdict for $3000. I. R Mills and Attorney Reed prosecuted the case and Attorneys Lodge, Hicks and Cloyd defended. Brown had thrown hedge brush on the highway and Mrs. Cole, while seated in a buggy, passing the place, was struck in the face by a piece of the hedge, the sight of one eye being destroyed.

# ABRAHAM LINCOLN

## 89th Birthday of Martyred President Observed.

## AT GRAND ARMY POST HALL

### Patriotic and Eulogistic Addresses by Postmaster Calhoun and Gen. Marden—Numbers by Mrs. Garrow and the Choir.

The 89th anniversary of Abraham Lincoln's birth was celebrated in a most fitting manner by the members of the G. A. R., the Sons of Veterans, Ladies' Aid society and Woman's Relief Corps, under the direction of the members of Col I. C. Pugh Camp, No. 14, S. of V., and the Ladies' Aid society, at the Grand Army post hall, on Saturday evening. The hall was crowded before the time for the opening of the program and extra chairs were placed in the aisles and around the platform for the later visitors. The hall was decorated with flags and on either side of the platform was placed a portrait of Lincoln draped in flags and surrounded by palms At 8:30 o'clock Commander Harwood called the assemblage to order and the audience sang "America," which was followed by an eloquent and patriotic prayer by Rev. W. F. Gillmore. Dr. W. F Calhoun made a brief but forcible and patriotic talk in which he said:

"If I could say anything that would turn the thoughts of the young men and women in the proper direction it would be to give to them as an example the life of Abraham Lincoln. The life history of Lincoln should stand as one of the greatest of lessons to the youth of America. Born and reared in poverty, his advantages were small and his opportunities limited, but he overcome all difficulties. He was born with an unimpeachable honesty and his life was lived for a purpose; that purpose was to succeed as an American citizen. All his life he was governed by his loyalty to the flag of his government. He was not carried away by demagogues, was not influenced by prejudice. He stood as a sturdy oak against all blandishments of men. Lincoln's ancestry has been traced to one Levi Lincoln of Massachusetts, who was one of the first chosen to represent the people at the state assembly. He was made secretary of state and eventually became attorney general in the cabinet of Thomas Jefferson. Jefferson, Lincoln and Madison believed in and promulgated the doctrines of state sovereignty, the exalting of the rights of the state over the government. When Jefferson, the promulgator of state sovereignty, went out of office on the 4th of March, 1809, Lincoln, who was forever to dissipate the dogma in America, had been born just 30 days. Lincoln was not controlled by sentiment, not up one day and down the next, but was always governed by his judgment, one of the important things young men should consider, especially the Sons of Veterans. Your fathers did not answer the call to defend their country because of any sentiment, or that they loved bloodshed, but because the integrity of the nation had been assailed. Even during the war there was a strong sentiment against Lincoln, but he could not afford to be carried away or influenced by sentiment. This was an example of how prejudice may err. Tonight as we celebrate the birthday of Lincoln we are proud that our country produced such a man. We believe him to be the peer of any man born on this great earth. I lived when they called Lincoln a deserter and a traitor. I know the sentiment and prejudice that brought forth the man who took his life. If Abraham Lincoln was alive today there is no man who would harm him. The firmness of Lincoln's judgment made him the man for the perilous times which brought him to the front and carried our country through the stormiest contest ever known and landed it safely in the harbor of safety and union."

At the conclusion of Dr. Calhoun's talk Mrs Garrow read Lincoln's farewell and was followed by a solo by Mr. Tobill. A choir composed of D. L. Bunn, Bert Gher, Mrs. Adolph Mueller and Mrs. K. Harwood gave several pleasing selections during the evening.

Commander Harwood's cousin, General

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## WEATHER.

Chicago, Feb. 14.—Illinois Partly cloudy tonight and Tuesday, with rain in the north tonight; warmer tonight; colder Tuesday afternoon or night, increasing southerly winds.

Why should Jerry Simpson attack Mr Dingley's hat when his other extremity is denied socks?

De Lome has; probably by this time realised the fact that there has been a change in the situation at Washington

Tallyrand once said· "Never write a letter and never burn one" There are a good many statesmen who do not heed this advice.

A proposition to recognize the belligerency of the Cuban patriots would be carried in the United States by 7,000,000 majority.

The Republican league of Ohio has endorsed the course of Senator Mason of this state on the Cuban question, and demanded the independence of the Cubans

Altgeld's proposition to hold a Democratic love feast in East St Louis next month can be accounted for in but one way, namely, he perhaps wants to celebrate the cyclone that struck that city two years ago.

Nothing will prevent the full effect of the American protective tariff policy in bringing about the fullest prosperity and the greatest demand for labor except the howl of the Democratic party for free silver and 40-cent dollars

The jury may have acted wisely in deciding that Luetgert will be punished more by imprisonment for life than by hanging, but its effect on other brutes who contemplate murder will not be so beneficial and then he may be pardoned before he dies

J. Sterling Morton, ex-secretary of agriculture, is accused of plagiarism as to some verses. This accusation is very far fetched considering the fact that a secretary of agriculture is expected annually to send out the other fellow's pumpkin seeds.

It is now intimated the administration will not ask the Spanish government to disclaim sympathy with the inferences contained in the De Lome letter. This is a wise conclusion as it would be a small matter for a set of liars, such as Spain produces, to make a disavowal when as a matter of fact they did not mean a word of it. To demand a disavowal would impress the American people that the administration was inclined to let Spain trifle with it. Let Spain do as she pleases about it, but let the government hereafter handle the Cuban question with a strong hand.

### Simple Free-Trust Lies.

New York Press: Daniel Davis of Phillipsburg, N. J., sends us a clipping from an editorial of the World, and says: "Please call attention to the lies and refute them." Mr. Davis is right in calling them lies, for they are nothing but lies. One of the particular and specific lies is this: "Since he (President McKinley) signed the Dingley bill our exports of manufactured articles, which had reached the highest point under the Wilson law, have steadily declined."

Let us see how "steadily" they have declined. In August, 1897, the exports of manufactured articles were $22,909,-496. In December they were $93,840,448. Where is the decline? In August, 1897, the exports of manufactured articles were $1,800,000 more than in August, 1896; in September they were $1,155,000 more than in September, 1896; in October they were less by a million or more than in October, 1896, but in November they were greater and in December they were only slightly less than for December, 1896. For the five months of August, September, October, November and December of 1897, under the McKinley law, the total exports of manufactured articles were $112,000,500, as against $111,702,-059 for the corresponding five months of 1896 under the Wilson law.

That much for the World's lie about the "steady decline of exports of manufactured articles."

The other lie which Mr Davis asks us to refute is this: "And the law is thus far a failure as a revenue producer."

The government receipts for the month of January were announced yesterday. The customs receipts alone show for January a gain of $3,000,000 over December and the internal revenue receipts a gain of more than a million Furthermore, the customs receipts for January of this year, under the Dingley law, were $3,000,000 more than for the corresponding month of last year under the Wilson law So there is the answer to lie number two

Mr Davis and all other citizens should observe that in its habitual tariff lying the World does not attempt to prove its contention with the statistics of the treasury department It boldly asserts what it wishes to assert and it lies out of its own imagination

## ABRAHAM LINCOLN

Continued from Third Page.

Marden, of Lowell, Mass, gave a talk in which he said: "I consider myself fortunate indeed to come to Decatur just in time to join you in paying a tribute to Abraham Lincoln. I, like Dr Calhoun, believe there is nothing so remarkable about Lincoln as his judgment and honesty. It makes for him the grand character which stands forth as an example to the youths of America as to what the character of an American citizen should be Lincoln had more in his head than whole regiments of statesmen who govern our country today. John Bunyan has sa'd 'Fame is a flower that grows on many a grave' I say that Lincoln had his fame long before the grave took him He was a man of the people, was raised to his exalted position by the people and acted as his best judgment directed for the people. It was this that made him the model of American citizenship."

The remaining numbers of the program were of literary nature with which the audience was highly pleased and entertained

## MARKETS.

CHICAGO, Ill., Feb. 14.

| | Opening | Highest. | Lowest. | Closing. | Yes-t'day |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Wheat— | | | | | |
| Feb......... | — | — | — | 1 0½ | 1 00 |
| May. . . . | 97½ | 98¼ | 97⅝ | 98½ | 97¾ |
| July......... | 85⅜ | 85⅞ | 85¼ | 85⅜ | 85¼ |
| Corn— | | | | | |
| Feb............ | — | — | — | 28⅝ | 28¼ |
| May ... | 29⅞ | 30⅛ | 29⅞ | 30¼ | 0 |
| July .. | 31½ | 31⅝ | 31 | 31⅛ | 31½ |
| Oats— | | | | | |
| Feb .... .... | — | — | — | 25⅜ | 24⅞ |
| May ........ | 25⅞ | 26⅛ | 25¾ | 26⅛ | 25⅞ |
| July ... | 23⅝ | 24⅛ | 23⅝ | 24 | 23⅝ |
| Pork— | | | | | |
| May....... | 10 75 | 10 95 | 10 75 | 10 95 | 10 70 |
| Lard | | | | | |
| May....... . | 5 12½ | 5 20 | 5 12½ | 5 20 | 5 10 |
| Ribs | | | | | |
| May . .... | 5 20 | 5 32½ | 5 20 | 5 32½ | 5.20 |

May wheat: Puts, 97⅝, Calls, 99⅛, Curb, 98⅜

To-Day's Receipts—Car Lots.

Wheat—111, Estimated, 62, a year ago, 46
Corn—845; Estimated, 630, a year ago, 841
Oats—462, Estimated, 325, a year ago, .776

Estimates for To-Morrow.

Wheat, 70, Corn, 850, Oats, 460

Hogs

Hog receipts, 34,000. Estimated, —.
Market firm
Light, $3.80@$4.02, Mixed $3 80@$4 05, Heavy $3 95@$4.07, Rough, $3 80@$3.90.
Estimated for to-morrow, 36,000.

Cattle.

Cattle receipts, 9,500. Market weak, 10c lower.

Six new residences are on the docket to be built this spring in Homer

The Monticello Republican reports the closing and removal of the Split Dollar store of that place and assigns the cause as a failure to advertise.

A two days' shoot will be held at Chatsworth February 15 and 16


The Greatest Discovery Yet.

W. M. Repine, editor Tiskilwa, Ill., 'Chief,' says "We won't keep house without Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds. Experimented with many others, but never got the true remedy until we used Dr. King's New Discovery. No other remedy can take its place in our home, as in it we have a certain and sure cure for Coughs, Colds, Whooping Cough, etc." It is idle to experiment with other remedies, even if they are urged on you as just as good as Dr. King's New Discovery. They are not as good, because this remedy has a record of cures and besides is guaranteed. It never fails to satisfy. Trial bottles free at J. E. King's and C. F. Shilling's drug stores.


Miss Pearl Harding of Bement lost a thumb in a machine at the Gibson Novelty works.


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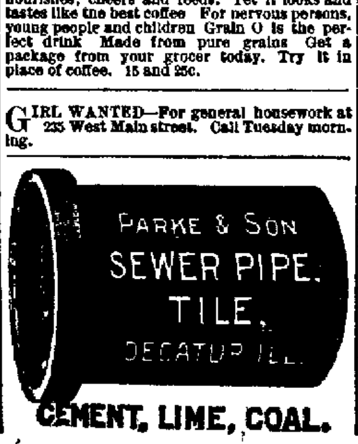


CEMENT, LIME, COAL.

## PISTOLS IN NEW YORK CITY.

Less Than 600 People Have Legal Permits to Carry "Guns."

There are less than 600 persons in this city with permits to carry pistols Not one of this number is a woman, and the great majority of them are business men who have the handling of large sums of money In fact, there is not one of them who has not a first class reason for going about armed although there are a great many applicants for the privilege who are not entitled to it, and who consequently do not get it

Many of the negroes of the Tenderloin precinct have a great longing to carry pistols, but very few succeed in getting permits Quite frequently some colored "sport" of the precinct calls at the Tenderloin station and announces that he would like permission to carry a pistol The other day a young man in a suit of brown and white checks, a striped red-white and blue shirt front and collar, and with an enormous paste diamond in his scarf, asked to see the captain

"What's the trouble?" asked the sergeant at the desk

"No trouble, sah," said the young man, "not a bit of it, sah, but ah jus' wanter get endowed with authority fer carry a gun, sah"

"Why?" asked the sergeant

"Well, sah, ahm quite a spoht an' ah plays poker once'n a while, an' I donn relish de 'sperience ob losin' de pot against a pair of deuces an' a razor, when I has t'ree queens, sah Ah come to de conclusion dat a pusson in a game oo dat sort's got to have somethin to back up his han', sah"

He was one of the many whose applications have been unsuccessful

The number of permits issued has increased but very little in the past few years It was at the time of the numerous hold ups of brewery collectors that the demand for them was at its height, and from that time until this almost every brewery collector has had a permit, and has carried a revolver —N Y Times

### Too Personal.

One of the women's patriotic societies held an open meeting in Washington recently, and the members were called upon to respond to various sentiments of a patriotic character The woman who had the affair in charge notified each member of the toast she would be expected to respond to ten days or so before the meeting To one young woman, says the Post, whom, as it happened, she did not know personally at all, she sent the toast, "Our Flag" The young woman received it and at once went to call on the head of the society in a state of great distress She simply could not respond to the toast, she said She didn't know whether a joke was intended but she had been chaffed unmercifully about it already, and just simply wouldn't go near the meeting if she were to be called on to speak on that subject

"Why, what on earth is wrong with that sentiment?" asked the head of the society.

The pretty young woman hesitated She blushed

"Well," she said, "you see, I'm going to marry a man named Flagg"—St. Louis Globe Democrat.

### Greetings to the Great.

When a great man passes a Chinese dismounts and a Hindoo prostrates himself in the presence of his superior A Japanese removes his sandals, crosses his hands and cries· "Spare me!" In Siam a man throws himself on the ground and then waits to see whether he is to be raised up and welcomed or kicked out of the way. A South sea islander greets a friend by flinging a jar of water over his head —Chicago Chronicle.

On complaint of L. C. Brown of Pontiac, the Chicago and Alton Railroad company was tried and fined $120 and costs for obstructing crossings in that city


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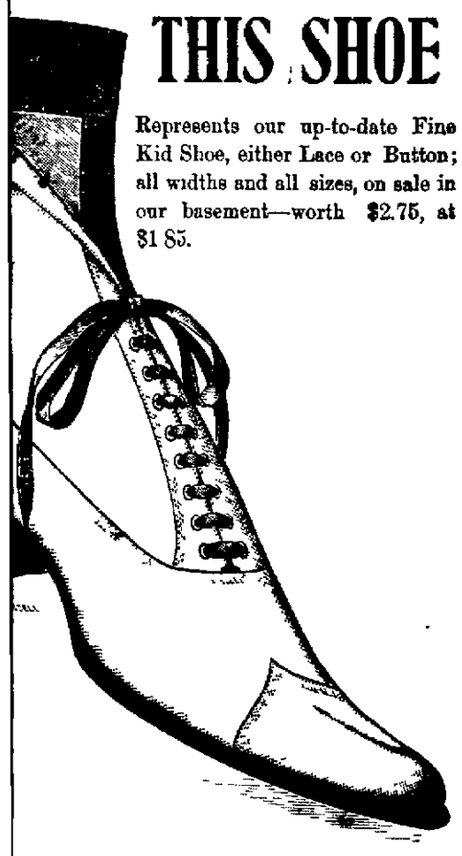

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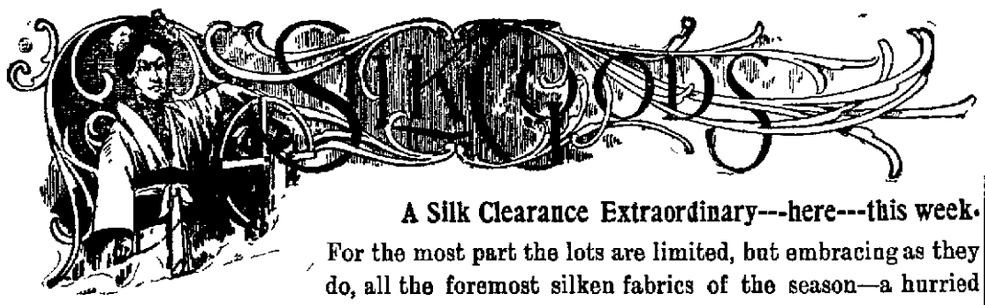


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For the most part the lots are limited, but embracing as they do, all the foremost silken fabrics of the season—a hurried selling is anticipated. All the odds and ends, all the short pieces and scores of full pieces—grouped together in seven lots and marked at seven bargain figures—arranged on The Front Bargain Square—ready for your choosing. **We advise an early visit in the interest of a better assortment.**

**Lot 1.** A good assortment of Fancy Figured Silks—medium effects—especially suitable for waists and trimmings—sold to 45c a yard. For the Big Silk Clearance— **29c yd.**

**Lot 2.** Fancy Checks and Bengalines—in plain colors—splendid patterns for waists—not a very large lot—worth to 75c a yard. For the Big Silk Clearance— **39c yd.**

**Lot 3.** Black Moire Velour and Brocades—the season's choicest fabrics—only a small collection of these—worth 75c a yard. For the Big Silk Clearance— **49c yd.**

**Lot 4** Black Brocades and Fancy Figured Silks—desirable for waists and odd skirts—nice goods that readily sold at 75c and 85c a yard. For the Big Silk Clearance— **59c yd.**

**Lot 5.** Fancy Brocades—irridescent effects—small and medium designs—sold up to $1.25 a yard For the Big Silk Clearance— **79c yd.**

**Lot 6.** Rich Brocades—chamelion effects—medium designs and colorings—suitable for waists or entire dresses. Worth $1 49 a yard. For the Big Silk Clearance— **$1.00 yd**

**Lot 7.** Rare Novelty Silks—handsome designs in dark effects—a small lot of odd pieces that have sold upwards to $2.25 a yard For the Big Silk Clearance— **$1 25 yd**



# '98 Wash Fabrics....

Perhaps you visited our Wash Goods exhibit last week—seemed like all the ladies in Decatur must have called. If you're one of the tardy ones you owe it to yourself to favor us with a visit the early part of this week. It's a trifle early for brisk selling but we want you to come in and see the new goods just the same. Folks that ought to know have told us that the colorings are a little daintier, the weaves a trifle prettier, the patterns slightly neater, the printing a shade handsomer—everything somewhat better than they've ever seen before. We've a good many exclusive weaves and prints—ideas that won't find expression at any other shop on the street. This means that you'll have a dress unlike anyone else in town.

Price is an object with most folks and we might say that it's one of our foremost ideas of good store-keeping to sell a little lower than anyone else.

If you havn't seen the '98 Wash Fabrics yet, we'll expect you tomorrow—if you've already called—why come again—may be that we've received some new pieces since your last visit.



# '98 Carpets---Rugs....

We've going to catalogue a few of the new arrivals in the Big Second Floor Carpet Room, and cordially invite your early inspection. Spring house cleaning time isn't far away and many wise folks do the buying early.

We've most every kind of Carpet that is made—Moquette, Axminster, Body Brussels, Tapestry, Ingrain, Union, Agra, Anglo, Cotton Chain Extra, Hemp and Rag. If there's any other variety that you happen to think of—we've probably got it too. We can't say much about these goods except repeat what an early buyer told us Saturday—"These are the handsomest carpets that I have seen in ten years."

If you're interested in Rugs you should be able to pick something from our immense assortment, embracing Moquettes, Smyrnas, Wiltons, Axminsters, Danstus, and La Paris. The price range is something wonderful—33c to $50.00.

Mattings, Oil Cloths and Linoleums—the good sort at lowest prices—are always a specialty with The Big Store.

We have the exclusive agency in Decatur for the new Fiber Rugs and Carpets and would like to have you call and see them.

We sell and guarantee The Bissel Carpet Sweeper for $2.00.

# DRESS GOODS.

**Closing the old---Opening the new---is the programme for this week in Decatur's Most popular Dress Goods Section.** This lapping of the seasons is harvest time for the bargain hunter. Strong assortments of choice winter materials, good for several months yet—all to be pushed out at something like half rates. Great lots of Fresh, New Fabrics—just here from representative looms of this and foreign lands—all marked at a shade of profit as an incentive to early buying. We'll have a carnival of low price selling here this week, the like of which you've never seen before. **Better arrange to take part in the money saving.**

**At 10c yd.** A choice collection of Early Spring Fabrics—plaid check and bar effects—many popular colorings—on the bargain counter elsewhere at 15c a yard. This week they're marked— **10c yd.**

**At 12 1 2c yd.** A goodly assortment of choice dress materials—suitable for early spring wear—mostly plaids and similar patterns—an interesting collection of colors—all worth 19c a yard. This week they're marked— **12 1-2c yd.**

**At 25c yd.** Elegant showing of Scotch checks, bright vari-colored plaids, mixtures, Jacquards, Mohairs, etc—light medium and dark effects—the best materials that we've seen at 39c. This week they're marked— **25c yd.**

**At 39c yd.** Brand New Materials—choice weaves in Jacquards, Mohairs. Plaids, Checks and Mixtures—all this season's goods—correct forecasers of spring fabric fashions. Bought to sell at 50c a yard. This week they're marked— **39c yd.**

**At 42c yd.** New Spring Goods—just came a few days ago—English Checks, Scotch Mixtures and a good line of 44 inch Serges in a dozen pretty and popular shades—bought for a leader at 53c a yard. This week they're marked— **42c yd.**

**At 50c yd.** Fancy Checks, Tweeds and Mixtures, together with a special showing of Fine Serges in a score of fashionable colors—all new goods—been here less than a fortnight. Not exhibited elsewhere under 75c a yard. This week they're marked— **50c yd**

**At 65c yd.** A bargain for wheelwomen, present or future. 52 inch Suitings in Quaker Grey, New Blue and Green castes—especially made to withstand rough usage. Several women have bought these goods at $1 00 a yard and considered them good value. This week they're marked— **65c yd.**



# Muslin Underwear.

This is the third week of the great February Sale. We've passed the half way mark of the month's selling and now begins the price cutting—the hurrying out of the slow lots—the cleaning up of broken lines—the quick removal of soiled and mussed garments. You'll notice the extreme lowness of the prices—so will other folks—you had better come early.

### Gowns.

An odd lot of soiled Gowns—made of good muslin—handsomely trimmed in embroidery and finishing braid. These sold up to 98c, but this week they are offered at— **49c**

Good Muslin Gowns—double yoke—front trimmed with bands of insertion and cambric ruffle—all worth $1.00—at **75c**

Marguerite Gowns of Fine French Nainsook—embroidery trimmed—neck and sleeve run with ribbon—a $2.25 garment at— **$1.25**

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### CORSET COVERS.

Good Muslin Corset Covers—square and high neck—the 25c sort—at **15c.**

Fine Cambric Corset Covers—embroidery and lace trimming—worth to 98c—at **25c.**

Gretchen Corset Covers of Nainsook and Long Cloth—elaborately trimmed with lace and ribbon bands—worth to $1.25—at **59c.**

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### Drawers.

Good Muslin Drawers—cluster of tucks—deep hem—worth 25c—at— **15c**

Muslin Drawers—made of good quality muslin—embroidery trimmed—the 35c sort—at— **19c**

Muslin Drawers—extra wide—bands of inserting—embroidery trimming. These goods sold at 98c, but for this week they are all marked at— **49c**

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### SKIRTS.

A small lot of Muslin Skirts—the 49c variety—at— **25c.**

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BENEFACTORS OF THE RACE.

Office of "KINGFISHER TIMES," Kingfisher, Okla., Dec. 12, '93.

GENTLEMEN—I believe it my duty to write you a line in regard to the beneficial effect of Phelps' "Four C Remedy," so far as I am personally concerned. A week ago last Thursday, I was taken with a severe attack of la grippe and in a short time became so hoarse I could not speak above a whisper. The night previous I coughed nearly the entire night; just before retiring I took a teaspoonful, and slept the entire night as sweetly as ever I did in my life, not coughing once. I was entirely relieved before taking one bottle. Phelps' Cough, Cold and Croup Cure should be in every household in the land. I send you this wholly unsolicited by any one, for you are benefactors of the race in giving it the antidote for some of the worst affections to which it is heir. Very truly yours,

C. J. NESBITT, Editor.

A MIRACLE.

Kansas City, Kansas, Dec. 21, '91.

Last Friday, Dec. 13, my attending physician stated that unless I was better by morning he could do nothing for my relief. That night I commenced taking Phelps' "Four-C" Remedy, stopped all other medicines. The first dose stopped my cough; slept and rested well; a few more doses removed all soreness from my lungs; the second day I was up; the third day I was out on the porch and today was up town purchasing holiday goods.

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Yours, J. B. HULING.

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Chicago, Sept. 25, '95.

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# A Northern Love-Light.

BY CLARENCE PULLEN.

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SYNOPSIS.

The ship "Amaranth" is taking on a cargo of cryolite at Ivigtat, on the Greenland coast. One afternoon Laida Warhope, the captain's daughter, and Harry Upshur, a young scientist who has made the voyage with them, and is in love with Laida, start out in the ship's dory for a sail. A fog settles around them, and they drift upon a moving ice pack, on which they manage to land. The boat is washed upon the ice on a wave caused by a part of a passing iceberg's falling into the sea. In the locker of the dory they find provisions and a rifle. They erect an oar, flying a red silk handkerchief for a signal. Upshur assures the girl that her father will search for them as soon as the fog lifts. To while away the time, Laida relates an exciting experience of her youth. It took place in the Malay peninsula, and through it the girl came into the possession of a magnificent diamond that belonged to the Rajah of Parajam. She has kept the gem as a talisman. She shows it to Upshur, waving it before his eyes. The young man appears to be hypnotized. Finally Laida says to him: "Tell me what you see."

PART VII.

To Upshur, unwondering and unfearing, had come a complete transition into alien scenes and sensations. A pervading warmth saturated all his being and was reflected from every surrounding. From a pale, brassy sky the glaring sun, high overhead, burned downward through humid air upon a tropical landscape. Among towering palms, parched jungles, broadly tinted in shades of pale brown and yellow, and marshy rice fields, wound sinuously the still waters of a long lagoon, its inky blackness broken by strangely modeled boats and canoes lying moored, or moving hither and thither to the stroke of oars or paddles. Upon its surface water serpents slept coiled, or writhed with upraised heads from the widening triangular wakes of swimming crocodiles. There was a quaint village with bamboo houses standing above the water on posts, to which came faintly from down the lagoon, beyond the view, the sobbing of ocean waves breaking over a coral reef.

Of life there was no lack, from the yellow skinned people, with sinister, cruel faces, who pulled the boats or lounged among the houses, to the sleek tigers and leopards that stole softly through the jungle, their stripes and spottings interblending with its prevailing brown and yellow hues. Giant snakes, wound in loops of variegated markings about great tree limbs, waved downwards their long, smooth heads, with darting tongues, in search of prey. Upon dead trees sombre plumaged kites and vultures were dozing in the sunlight, above the brightly tinted butterflies fluttering gaily over the low undergrowth beneath. The moist air, undulating with heat, was pungent with odors of pepper and spices, and heavy with narcotic, over-sweet perfumes of gorgeous flowers.

Like one who talks in a dream Upshur made answer to Laida's question:

"I see the palms and jungles of a tropical scene. There is a sinking ship at sea, and a fair child afloat upon the waves. Now she drifts above black inland waters among the people of the tropical town."

"Tell me more."

"Amid fierce, wondering faces the child smiles, happy and unfearing. She is welcomed and kindly cared for. She—It is a child, dark as a gypsy, I now see, in native attire, wandering at will amid these scenes, accompanied by a dark, savage woman, who is her protector. Unscathed and unknowing, she passes all dangers from beast or reptile. Upon their path lurks a pursuer, a swarthy chief adorned with golden rings and armlets, and carrying at his girdle a glittering creese. On his head is a scarlet fez with a great diamond flashing in its front. In the high air a flock of vultures are following his movements. Upon him the dark woman casts looks of dread and hatred. Now she interposes between him and the child, and the vultures swoop low above his head."

"What do you see now?"

"There is the blue sky and the blue, tossing sea. A noble ship, under full canvas, dashes the waves beneath her prow. Her captain walks the quarter-deck and about him the child, laughing and venturesome, is playing. Her skin is fair, she is attired in European clothes. The captain calls her daughter.

"Now a northern village lies before me. Great elms spread their boughs above the houses. A bell is ringing, and boys and girls are gathering at its sound. A tall, handsome girl walks lightly down the street, swinging her book satchel. It is the Academy bell at Southaven I hear. The girl is—Laida Warhope."

"Do you see her still? and where?"

"It is in a drawing-room, bright with the lights from a chandelier. The girl, now in the fresh beauty of dawning womanhood, is seated at a piano, singing. Her song is an air from Aida, 'I Sacri Nomi.' A man in evening dress stands by her. She stops at the beginning of the second movement—they are talking earnestly together.'

"Do you recognize the man?"

His voice did not vary from its calm, measured tone.

"It is Henry Upshur. He is pleading with her, but she gives him no encouragement. He urges her more vehemently, but her face is cold and her answer does not change. She turns her face away and extends to him her hand which he barely touches. 'It is not in your nature to love! I shall never ask you again,' he says, and rushes from the room. She does not rise, but remains seated at the piano a long time, her head resting upon her hand, her face troubled. She touches the keys, and attempts to continue the air she had been singing, but her voice falters, and she closes the music book. Now she is crying."

"Where is she now?"

"It is a moon-lit scene. She is standing upon an icy waste, lapped by the waves of a northern sea. A boat is drawn upon the ice at the foot of a ridge. She is in deep thought."

"Is she a girl who can love—who does love?" She spoke impetuously, as if acting upon a sudden resolve.

Like an echo his answer came:

"She is a girl who can love—who does love."

"Give me your tablet, quick! Now your pencil."

Mechanically and promptly he took from an inner pocket of his coat a writing-pad and pencil, and handed them to her.

"There is something written on it. My name. Let's see what this means." She turned the tablet so that the moon's rays should fall directly upon it, and slowly read the inscription written in heavy lines:

"Adelaide Warhope and Henry Upshur, passengers of the ship "Amaranth," Philadelphia to Ivigtut. Drifted from the ship in a dory, in a fog, off Ivigtut, June 18. Made landing the same day on ice pack drifting north in the easterly current. Saved the dory which is upon the ice with them. Are safe at 12, midnight."

"So, Mr. Harry Hopeful, I have found your log of our voyage, kept for the information of whoever shall find us starved or frozen to death in the ice pack. This while you have been keeping my spirits up by your cheerful talk of a certain rescue to-morrow. Well, our obituary can wait its turn. We're not ready for it just yet. I want your tablet for something else."

She tore the leaf from the tablet, crumpled it in her hand and threw it upon the ice; then handed tablet and pencil back to Upshur standing before her as impassive as a soldier on parade.

"Here, take these and write what you just said."

Upon the tablet, which he did not seem to see as he held it before him, he slowly wrote: "She is a girl who can love—who does love."

"Now write the thought that is in her mind at this minute.

Without hesitation he wrote a sentence beneath the one already written. She stepped round so as to stand at his shoulder, and leaned slightly forward so that she could see what he had written. As she straightened back, with

HE WROTE A SENTENCE BENEATH THE ONE ALREADY WRITTEN.

a little, graceful sidewise motion, she brushed his cheek with hers as lightly as the drifting of a flower petal, and her face reddened like a rose. Then she passed her hand once before his eyes and swiftly glided from him.

For a few moments Upshur remained standing as she had left him. Slowly his eyes resumed their natural expression. The lids quickened with a slight movement, and, as if awakened from slumber, he took cognizance of things about him.

With the engrossing impression of a sea of scintillating light he held in mind a vague remembrance of tropical scenes, like the recalled fragment of a dream. All the lapse of time and what had occurred since he gazed upon the talismanic gem was a blank to his consciousness. Wondering somewhat at the disappearance of the stone and its wearer he turned to see Laida leaning against the dory's stern, her hands resting upon the gunwale behind her. Her face was flushed as if with a reflected tinge from the flaming sky, and at her throat the great diamond was blazing.

"It was a fine trick you served me with your precious talisman," he said, laughing. "To hold me mesmerized with its flashing light for the instant while you slip away from me like quicksilver."

"I warned you that it was a magic stone," she answered. "Strange things may happen and visions come to those who yield to its spell. I will shut it up in its case for fear its rays may enchant us both and fix us to the ice raft to float forever about Baffin's Bay."

"Its effect on me seemed to be to carry me to the tropics," he said, lightly. "I lost myself a moment and, presto! the ice field was before me again and you and the diamond were gone."

Laida looked away from him, out upon the sea. A silent mood had come upon her, and she seemed absorbed in watching the waves and stars. He said no more, but silently paced his watch like an officer on the quarter-deck. He paused at last to say:

"The dawn will come in another hour. Hadn't you better try to get some rest?"

"I am not sleepy," she replied, without turning her head.

"I will go up to our signal and take another look around," he said. "Perhaps our ship has hove in sight."

He climbed the ridge and looked about him over the sea. From the west, across the gloomy waters, the moonglade widened toward him, holding within its shining path an opaline glint from the red sky. No other light burned upon the waters. He turned to the ice field stretching, an undulating plain of white, to the southern horizon. On its surface, flooded in the light of the low, full moon, shadows and whiteness were intensified into vivid contrasts of ink and alabaster. It looked so solid, still, and stable, that, except for the waters rolling against its edges, left and right, it might have been difficult to believe that it was pack-ice afloat and not a mainland waste of marble mounds and levels.

As he looked there came to his vision a semblance of motion upon the pallid, lifeless scene. Far away to the southward, upon a level space, a dark spot seemed to change its position. Watching it more closely he saw it pass over the clear ice and flicker in and out among the peaks and hummocks. After a time it occurred to him that the dark

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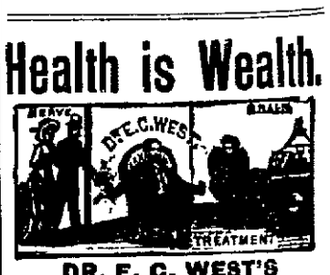


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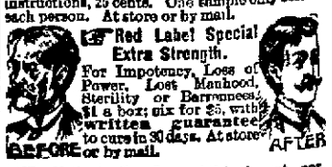


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# A Northern Love Light.

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spot was coming his way. At last as it emerged upon a clear, smooth slope, inclined toward his line of sight, it was near enough for him to see distinctly, and he perceived that the dark changing blotch upon the ice was not a solid object, but a shadow. There was something mysterious and uncanny about this advancing shade, for there was nothing in sight to cause it. The surface of the pack was clear, and up in the air, no drifting cloud or night bird sailing in the moonlight could be seen marking its course in this manner upon the ice field.

Certainly the shadow was coming toward him, not in a direct course, but by devious tacks and shoots which gradually brought it nearer. In its advance it became more distinct and clearly defined, with shape ever changing according to the inequalities of the surface against which it was projected. Sometimes oblong, sometimes round, shrinking and expanding, lengthening and broadening, it pursued its erratic course, merging for a time in the still shadow of some eminence, only to reappear upon the whiteness of a clear space nearer at hand.

There was something ominous in the stealthy and steady approach of this mysterious shadow of an invisible thing. Presently it took on a more definite and alarming aspect. Upon a smooth ice cliff falling vertically to the level of the pack, the moon's rays fell fair and full. Against this face the shadow became, in startling size, the moving silhouette of a long, massive, four-footed creature, shuffling swiftly along, to vanish once more among the resting shadows.

For the first time there crossed Upshur's mind a definite thought of danger in connection with the mysterious shadow. He turned and descended the ridge. Laida was standing as he had left her, leaning against the dory's stern, her face turned seaward. She raised round at the sound of his footsteps.

"No light upon the waters, I suppose?" she said, questioningly, with a little hopeless sigh.

"No land or ship's lights sighted yet," he answered. "The dawn may bring us another story."

He went straight to the dory and took the rifle from its rubber case. It was one of the large calibred, muzzle-loading pieces, known on the Greenland coast as the Eskimo rifle, a strong, rudely made firearm, with a wooden rib extending from its massive butt the entire length of the twenty-eight inch barrel. With the ramrod he sounded the barrel, and made sure that the heavy bullet rested in place above the charge of powder. He cocked the rifle by the aid of the hole for the forefinger made in the queer shaped hammer, examined the tube and replaced the cap upon it with a fresh one.

He had not lowered the hammer upon the tube when a faint, rustling sound, like soft, heavy footfalls, near at hand, with the sliding of a tiny ice fragment down the the slope, caused him to clutch the rifle hard as he turned his eyes to the top of the ridge. For a moment he stood transfixed with astonishment and consternation. Upon the summit, as if a part of the ice field had upreared itself, a white bulk fronted by two balls of red fire, loomed before him, colossal and menacing. It was the cause of the mysterious shadow. For the first time Upshur saw the threatening shape whose tints had merged, invisible, in the whiteness of the ice field, and recognized in the fiery balls the flaming eyes of the great, white carnivore of the north.

Expecting to be instantly attacked, Upshur raised his rifle, but, instead of coming straight down the slope towards him, the creature, turning, ran a few steps along the crest as if looking for a

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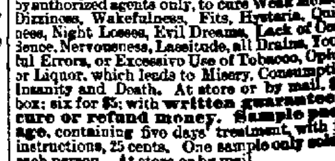


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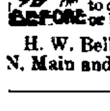

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# A Northern Love Light.

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spot was coming his way. At last as it emerged upon a clear, smooth slope, inclined toward his line of sight, it was near enough for him to see distinctly, and he perceived that the dark changing blotch upon the ice was not a solid object, but a shadow. There was something mysterious and uncanny about this advancing shade, for there was nothing in sight to cause it. The surface of the pack was clear, and up in the air no drifting cloud or night bird sailing in the moonlight could be seen marking its course in this manner upon the ice field.

Certainly the shadow was coming toward him, not in a direct course, but by devious tacks and shoots which gradually brought it nearer. In its advance it became more distinct and clearly defined, with shape ever changing according to the inequalities of the surface against which it was projected. Sometimes long, sometimes round, shrinking and expanding, lengthening and broadening, it pursued its erratic course, merging for a time in the still shadow of some eminence, only to reappear upon the whiteness of a clear space nearer at hand.

There was something omious in the stealthy and steady approach of this mysterious shadow of an invisible thing. Presently it took on a more definite and alarming aspect. Upon a smooth ice cliff falling vertically to the level of the pack, the moon's rays fell fair and full. Against this face the shadow became, in startling size, the moving silhouette of a long, massive, four-footed creature, shuffling swiftly along, to vanish once more among the resting shadows.

For the first time there crossed Upshur's mind a definite thought of danger in connection with the mysterious shadow. He turned and descended the ridge. Laida was standing as he had left her, leaning against the dory's stern, ... turned seaward. She ... the sound of his foot-...

"... light upon the waters, I suppose?" she said, questioningly, with a little ... sigh.

"No land or ship's lights sighted yet," he answered. "The dawn may bring us another story."

He went straight to the dory and took the rifle from its rubber case. It was one of the large calibred, muzzle-loading pieces, known on the Greenland coast as the Eskimo rifle, a strong, rudely made firearm, with a wooden rib extending from its massive butt the entire length of the twenty-eight inch barrel. With the ramrod he sounded the barrel, and made sure that the heavy bullet rested in place above the charge of powder. He cocked the rifle by the aid of the hole for the forefinger made in the queer shaped hammer, examined the tube and replaced the cap upon it with a fresh one.

He had not lowered the hammer upon the tube when a faint, rustling sound, like soft, heavy footfalls, near at hand, with the sliding of a tiny ice fragment down the the slope, caused him to clutch the rifle hard as he turned his eyes to the top of the ridge. For a moment he stood transfixed with astonishment and consternation. Upon the summit, as if a part of the ice field had upreared itself, a white bulk fronted by two balls of red fire, loomed before him, colossal and menacing. It was the cause of the mysterious shadow. For the first time Upshur saw the threatening shape whose tints had merged, invisible, in the whiteness of the ice field, and recognized in the fiery balls the flaming eyes of the great, white carnivore of the north.

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Munyon's Improved Homoeopathic Remedies, a separate specific for each disease, all plainly labeled with complete and plain directions, with Munyon's "Guide to Health," enable people to be their own physicians. All druggists have them, mostly 25 cents a bottle.

Rev. F. T. Ripley, 1820 Columbus Avenue, Bay City, Mich., says: "I was severely afflicted with rheumatism for many years and could get no relief. I was often in very great pain, and could not attend to my pastoral duties. Munyon's Rheumatism Cure was advised, and, though I had no faith in it, I tried the little pellets. To my great surprise, in a week's time I was greatly relieved, and at the end of a month I was completely cured. Munyon's Remedies are a blessing to humanity, and I intend to keep a case of them in the house for use in my family."

Mr. W. H. Stone, Lebanon, Ill., says: "I suffered with rheumatism for some time, the disease being so bad that I could hardly get up or down. Remedies that I tried did not do me any good, but Munyon's Rheumatism Cure cured me."

If in doubt, write Professor Munyon, at Philadelphia, Pa., and get medical advice free.

William Howell of Wenona, has sold his diary herd, as that place will not support a milk route.

**Glad Tidings to Asthma Sufferers.**

Foley's Honey and Tar gives quick and positive relief to all cases. H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone.

Miss Pearl Harding of Bement lost a thumb in a machine at the Gibson Novelty works.

**Fatality of Croup.**

Statistics show that thousands of infants and children yearly die of membranous croup. We do not exaggerate when we state that every one of these innocents could have been saved had Foley's Honey and Tar been given in time. Can you afford to be without it in your household? H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone.

A two days' shoot will be held at Chatsworth February 15 and 16.

A thrill of terror is experienced when a brassy cough of croup sounds through the house at night. But the terror soon changes to relief after One Minute Cough Cure has been administered. Safe and harmless for children. H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone.

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Had Foley's Honey and Tar been used, this story would have had a happier ending. H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone.

Leland Badger and Miss Bessie Fuller will be married at Mason City on February 16.

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Cyrus Widick, who died February 8 at Cerro Gordo, had been a resident of Platt county over 60 years.

After years of untold suffering from piles, B. W. Purcell, of Knitnersville, Pa., was cured by using a single box of DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve. Skin diseases, such as eczema, rash, pimples and obstinate sores, are readily cured by this famous remedy. H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone.

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Harry Platem, six miles northwest of Cisana Park lost his farm house and all the contents by fire February 8.

A. H. Montgomery of the Weldon Record, and Mrs. Bird McCabery of Lanes will be married February 15.

## SHERIFF'S SALE.

By virtue of an execution to me directed and delivered by the clerk of the county court of Macon county, Illinois, in favor of Charles S. Hankins and against John S. Danley George M. Danley, I have levied upon the following decribed property, to-wit: The undivided interest of John S. Darnley in lots Four (4) and Five (5), Block One (1), Delta Abbott's addition to the Village of Niantic, in Macon County, State of Illinois, taken as property of the said John S. Danley, which I shall offer at public sale at the north door of the court house in Decatur, in Macon county, in said state, on the 1st day of March, A. D. 1898, at 10 o'clock a. m. of said day, for cash in hand, to satisfy said execution.

This 9th day of February, A. D., 1898.
J. P. NICHOLSON, Sheriff Macon Co., Ill.
f10-d4d

# People's Column.

Advertisements of Forty words or less may be inserted in this column at the rate of 25 cents per week, payable invariably in advance

For Sale. For Rent. Wanted, Etc.

## WANTED.

WANTED—You to give us your orders for carpets to clean and feathers to renovate. Work called for and delivered free. Satisfaction guaranteed. Place of business, 630 Wabash ave. telephone 667. HAYES & ANTHONY. oct13-dtf.

WANTED—Paper hanging. With 25 years' experience I am prepared to give prompt attention to all orders from all parts of the city. Prices reasonable and all work guaranteed. New Telephone 806. D. M. SMITH, West end Pugh street car line. Feb 19-dtf

## FOR SALE.

FOR SALE.—A No. 1, superfine Kimball organ for sale very cheap. Call at 965 East Cantrell street. C. B. ADKESSON. 20-dtf

FOR SALE—Four room house, pantry and closets. East Lake finish; newly papered; will sell at a sacrifice. Call at No. 1769 North Clinton street; new 'phone 165.—27-tf

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## MISCELLANEOUS.

HORSE-SHOEING.—The undersigned has opened a horse-shoeing and light tire-setting shop at 124 West Prairie Avenue, where all work will be guaranteed to be second to none in the city, at prices as low as good work can be done. T. L. WEAKLY, Prop'r. Feb. 14-d1m*

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6. Lot southeast corner Eldorado and Church streets, seven rooms.
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8. Lot 14, Warren & Co's 7th addition, North Edward street, in the orchard, vacant.
9. 880 acres of land in Holt county, Nebraska, unimproved

Sealed bids will be received up to Friday noon, February 25th inst., for the purchase of any portion or all of this property. Terms cash. Blank forms for bids furnished on application. For further information inquire of S. S. Jack, assignee of Michael Eichinger. 9-d2w

# Legal Advs.

## Master in Chancery's Sale.

STATE OF ILLINOIS, MACON COUNTY, } ss. In the Circuit Court.

Frances G. Winslow, executrix, etc., Complainant, vs. Frank L. Hays, et. al., defendants.—In Chancery No. 16.8.

Public notice is hereby given that in pursuance of a decree of the Circuit Court of Macon county, in the State of Illinois, entered in the above entitled cause, at the January term of said court, A. D. 1897, I, James J. Finn, master in chancery of said court, will on

Tuesday, the 1st day of March, A. D., 1898,

at the hour of 2 o'clock p. m. at the north door of the court house on East Wood street, in the City of Decatur in said county, offer for sale at public vendue to the highest and best bidder for cash in hand, subject to redemption according to law, the real estate in said decree ordered to be sold, being described as follows, to-wit:

The east half of lot Nine (9) and Thirty (30) feet in width off of the west side of lot Eight (8), all in block One (1) of Berry H. Cassell's Fifth addition to the city of Decatur, situated in Macon county, Illinois.

Dated at Decatur, Illinois, this 7th day of February, A. D., 1898.

JAMES J. FINN, Master in Chancery.
Mills Bros., Complainant's Solicitors.

## Master in Chancery's Sale.

STATE OF ILLINOIS, COUNTY OF MACON. } ss. In the Circuit Court.

H. Mueller, Complainant, vs. Clara E. Wood, et. al., Defendant.—In Chancery No. 16441.

Public notice is hereby given that in pursuance of a decree of the circuit court of Macon county, in the state of Illinois, entered in the above entitled cause at the October term of said court A. D. 1897, I, James J. Finn, master in chancery of said court, will on

Tuesday, the 1st day of March, A. D. 1898,

at 2 o'clock p. m. of said day, at the north door of the court house on East Wood street, in the City of Decatur, in said county, offer for sale at public vendue to the highest and best bidder for cash in hand, subject to redemption according to law, the real estate in said decree ordered to be sold, being described as follows, to-wit:

The south half of lot Twelve (12) in the resurvey of lots Two (2,) Three (3) and Four (4) of block Three (3) of Prather & Adamson's addition of outlots to the City of Decatur, situated in Macon County, Illinois.

Dated at Decatur, Illinois, this 7th day of February, A. D. 1898.

JAMES J. FINN, Master in Chancery.
C. E. Schroll, Complainant's Solicitor.
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## Master in Chancery's Sale.

STATE OF ILLINOIS, MACON COUNTY } ss In the Circuit Court.

John Fuller, Conservator, etc., Complainant, vs. Randolph J. Simpson, et. al., Defendants—In Chancery, No. 16 409.

Public notice is hereby given that in pursuance of a decree of the circuit court of Macon county in the State of Illinois, entered in the above entitled cause at the January Term of said court A. D. 1898, I, James J. Finn, Master in Chancery of said court, will on

Friday, the 4th day of March, A. D. 1898,

at the hour of 2 o'clock p. m., at the north door of the court house on East Wood street, in the City of Decatur in said county, offer for sale at public vendue to the highest and best bidder, for cash in hand, subject to redemption according to law, the real estate in said decree ordered to be sold, being described as follows, to-wit:

Lots twenty-two (22), twenty-three (23), twenty-four (24) and twenty five (25) in block one (1) of H. A. Wood's Second Addition to the city of Decatur, in Macon county, Illinois.

Dated at Decatur, Illinois, this 10th day of February, A. D. 1898.

JAMES J. FINN, Master in Chancery.
Alexander McIntosh Complainant's Solicitor.

## ASSIGNEE'S NOTICE.

Estate of John W. Young, Debtor.

The undersigned hereby gives notice that John W. Young, of the city of Decatur, county of Macon and state of Illinois, did, on the 4th day of January, A. D. 1898, transfer to one John A. Dawson, as assignee, all his personal property (the said John W. Young not being possessed of any real estate) for the benefit of his creditors except such as is allowed him under the exemption laws of the State of Illinois, according to the provisions of an act concerning voluntary assignments; that the said John A. Dawson, on the 8th day of Januarp, A. D. 1898, resigned as such assignee, and the undersigned, as, by order of the county court of Macon county, in the State of Illinois, appointed assignee in the place of John A. Dawson, on the 10th day of January, A. D. 1898.

All persons having claims against the said John W. Young are hereby notified to present such claims, under oath or affirmation, to the undersigned at the City of Decatur, in said county, within three months from the date hereof.

Dated this 11th day of January, A. D. 1898.
GEORGE K. MORGAN, Assignee.
Jan 11-d6w

## Administrator's Notice.

Estate of R. J. Young, Sr., Deceased.

The undersigned having been appointed administor of the estate of R. J. Young Sr., late of the county of Macon, and State of Illinois, deceased, hereby gives notice that he will appear before the county court of Macon county, at the court house in Decatur, at the March term, on the first Monday in March next, at which time all persons having claims against said estate are notified and requested to attend for the purpose of having the same adjusted. All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned.

Dated this 7th day of January, 1898.
R. J. YOUNG, Administrator.
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## Executor's Notice.

Estate of Samuel Heft, Deceased.

The undersigned having been appointed executor of the estate of Samuel Heft, late of the county of Macon and state of Illinois, deceased, hereby gives notice that he will appear before the county court of Macon county, at the court house in Decatur, at the April term, on the first Monday in April next, at which time all persons having claims against said estate are notified and requested to attend for the purpose of having the same adjusted. All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned.

Dated this 7th day of February, 1898.
WM. W. HEFT, Executor.
Feb-8-d3w

## ASSIGNEE'S NOTICE.

Estate of Susan H. Abel, Debtor.

The undersigned hereby gives notice that Susan H. Abel, doing business under the name of Abel Carpet Wall-Paper Co., of the City of Decatur, in the county of Macon and State of Illinois, did, on the 12th day of January, 1898, transfer to the undersigned as assignee all her property, real and personal, for the benefit of her creditors, according to the provisions of the act concerning assignments.

All persons having claims against the said Susan H. Abel are hereby notified to present such claims under oath or affirmation to me at the City of Decatur, in said county, within three months from this date.

Dated this 21st day of January, A. D. 1898.
Jan. 21-d6w J. W. RACE, Assignee.

## Administrator's Notice.

Estate of Charles L. Griswold, Deceased.

The undersigned having been appointed administrator of the estate of Charles L. Griswold, late of the county of Macon and state of Illinois, deceased, hereby gives notice that he will appear before the county court of Macon county, at the court house in Decatur, at the April term, on the first Monday in April next, at which time all persons having claims against said estate are notified and requested to attend for the purpose of having the same adjusted. All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned.

Dated this 29th day of January, 189-.
CHARLES L. GRISWOLD, JR., Administrator.
29 d3w

## Administrator's Notice.

Estate of Henry F. May, Deceased.

The undersigned having been appointed administrator of the estate of Henry F. May, late of the county of Macon, and State of Illinois, deceased, hereby gives notice that he will appear before the County Court of Macon county, at the court house in Decatur, at the March term, on the first Monday in March next, at which time all persons having claims against said estate are notified and requested to attend for the purpose of having the same adjusted. All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned.

Dated this 17th day of January, 1898.
ANDREW H. MILLS, Administrator.
jan 17-d3w

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jan 24-d&wtf


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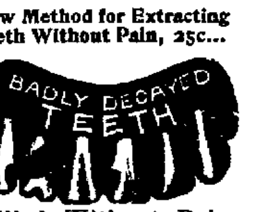


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to certain points in the South on the lines of the Illinois Central and Yazoo and Mississippi Valley Railroads will be run on the first and third Tuesday of each month during February, March and April, in connection with which a

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will be run to New Orleans and the South on these dates.

Tickets and full information concerning the above can be had of agents of the "Central" and connecting lines.

A. H. HANSON, Gen'l Pass. Agent, Chicago.
d&w to Feb 22

## Stockholders' Meeting.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the City Electric Railway Company of Decatur, Ill., will be held TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 1898, at the office of said company in Decatur, for the election of directors and the transaction of such other business as may properly come before said meeting.

Decatur, Ill., February 1, 1898.
CITY ELECTRIC RY. CO.
W. L. SHELLABARGER, Sec.
Feb 1-d4d

ILLINOIS CENTRAL EXCURSIONS.

One way settlers' rates to points south and southeast. Tickets on sale the 1st and 3d Tuesdays of each month.

Winter tourist rates to points south are now on. Final limit of June 1st, 1898.

For information or tickets write or call on W. L. Smith, Union Depot, or T. Peniwell, 121 E. William street, Decatur, Ill.

## CONSERVATOR'S SALE

I will for the next ten days, from Feb. 5 to Feb. 15 inclusive, have for sale all the personal property of John A. Shafer, which includes a cow, store, and household furnishings, 150 shocks of corn on farm. Personal property can be seen at 1290 West Macon street. I have also a 40 acre farm 1½ miles northwest of Boody to rent. N. M. JACOBS, Conservator.
5-d10t-w1t

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Feb 10-d2w

# Railroad Column

## R. R. TIME TABLES.

[Corrected to Nov. 15, 1897.]

Wabash Line

| TO CHICAGO. | | FROM CHICAGO. | |
|---|---|---|---|
| 13 | * 1:05 a m | 13 | * 3:55 a m |
| 14 | *11:45 a m | 15 | * 3:55 p m |
| 16 | † 9:20 a m | 17 | † 7:35 p m |
| TO ST. LOUIS. | | FROM ST. LOUIS. | |
| 3 | * 4:05 a m | 6 | * 5:25 a m |
| 11 | * 7:00 a m | 24 | †11:25 a m |
| 25 | † 4:05 p m | 14 | *11:42 a m |
| 15 | * 4:00 p m | 10 | * 8:58 p m |
| 1 | *12:18 a m | 2 | *11:17 p m |
| 7 | * 7:30 p m | 12 | *12:55 a m |
| TO TOLEDO. | | FROM TOLEDO. | |
| 6 | * 5:28 a m | 1 | *12:10 a m |
| 4 | *11:30 a m | 7 | * 7:17 p m |
| 2 | *11:20 p m | 5 | * 8:50 p m |
| 10 FtW.ac., | †1:30 p m | 3 | * 8:20 a m |
| 34 Eff. Acc. | †4:40 p m | 11 From Ft W | †12:50 p m |
| | | 35 Eff. Accom | †10:45 a m |
| TO QUINCY. | | FROM QUINCY. | |
| 5 | * 4:07 p m | 4 | *11:25 a m |
| 13 | * 4:10 a m | 12 | *10:50 p m |
| 17 Spfd only | † 7:40 p m | 16 from Spfg. | † 9:15 a m |
| 35 | †10:55 a m | 34 Effg. acm | † 4:35 p m |
| 11 Bluff acm | † 7:05 a m | 10 frm Bluffs | † 6:50 p m |

*Daily. †Daily except Sunday.

Peoria, Decatur and Evansville.

| Arrive from Peoria | Arrive from Evansville |
|---|---|
| A No. 1......10:35 a. m. | A No. 2........2:50 p. m |
| D No. 3......10:10 p. m. | A No. 4........6:25 a. m. |
| A No. 11......2:30 p. m. | S No. 36........7:10 a. m. |
| Depart for Peoria | Depart for Evansville |
| A No. 2........3:00 p. m. | A No. 1........10:45 a. m. |
| A No. 4........6:35 a. m. | D No. 3........10:20 p. m. |
| S No. 36........7:20 a. m. | A No 11........3:15 p. m. |
| A No. 10......10:35 a. m. | "D"—Daily. "S" Sunday Only. |
| "A"—Daily Except Sunday. | |

Vandalia Line.

In effect Dec. 11, 1897.

DEPARTS EAST.

No. 64—Freight, ex. Sunday.......... 6:35 a m
No. 12—Except Sunday.......... 7:40 a m
No. 6—Except Sunday.......... 3:35 p m

FROM TERRE HAUTE.

No. 7—Except Sunday.......... 10:45 a m
No. 83—Freight, ex. Sunday.......... 5:00 p m
No. 21—Except Sunday.......... 7:05 p m

DEPARTS WEST.

No. 5—Ex. Sunday.......... 7:00 a m
No. 85—Freight, ex. Sunday.......... 7:50 a m
No. 7—Ex. Sunday.......... 10:55 a m

FROM PEORIA.

No. 6—Ex. Sunday.......... 3:20 p m
No. 86—Freight ex. Sunday.......... 4:10 p m
No. 4—Ex. Sunday.......... 9:30 p m

For complete Time Card, giving all trains and stations, and for full information as to rates, through cars, etc., address J. C. Millspaugh, T. P. A., Decatur, Ill., or E. A. Ford, Gen'l Pass. Agt., St. Louis, Mo.

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| ARRIVE. | LEAVE. |
|---|---|
| No. 1 Pass....*2:25 p m | No. 4 Pass....*10:55 p m |
| No. 3 Pass....*4:00 a m | No. 2 Pass....†11:30 a m |
| " 7 ........10:00 a m | " 8 ........2:40 a m |
| " 9 ........*8:00 p m | " 10 ........4:00 p m |

*Daily. †Except Sunday.

Illinois Central.

Corrected to November 28th, 1897.

No. 118 to Chicago via Clinton & Gilman..........* 1:32 a. m.
No. 120 to Chicago via Clinton & Gilman..........* 11:52 a. m.
No. 704 to Chicago via Champaign..* 6:10 a. m.
No. 104 Main Line North..........† 11:26 a. m.
No. 126 Main Line North..........† 6:10 p. m.
No. 702 Champaign Line Mixed leaves..........† 2:45 p. m.
No. 117 Diamond Special to St. Louis via Pana..........* 3:19 a. m.
No. 119 Daylight Special to St. Louis via Pana..........* 8:37 p. m.
No. 125 Main Line South to Pana....† 9:30 a. m.
No. 103 Main Line South to Cairo....† 4:03 p. m.
No. 191 Local Freight South..........† 7:45 a. m.
No. 703 from Chicago via Champaign, arrives..........* 9:55 p. m.
No. 701 from Champaign Mixed Train arrives..........† 10:30 a. m.

*—Daily. †—Daily Except Sunday.

WABASH EXCURSIONS.

The Wabash Railroad will sell excursion tickets at greatly reduced rates to the following meetings:

Sunday low rate tickets will be sold from all stations east of Mississippi River, except to points north of Bement on Chicago Division, Sundays at very low rates—good going and returning Sunday only.

St. Louis and return. Tickets sold every Saturday afternoon and Sunday. One fare round trip.

Homeseekers' Excursions to principal points in the South, on the first and third Tuesdays of each month; good returning every Tuesday or Friday for 21 days. One fare, plus $2.00, for the round trip.

One way Settlers' tickets to the South sold on the first and third Tuesdays of each month at greatly reduced rates.

California tourists tickets, good returning nine months, with liberal stop over privileges in each direction, on sale daily.

Winter tourists tickets to the principal resorts in the south now on sale.

Call at the City Ticket Office for literature of the routes, rates, etc., of the Klondike Gold Fields.

Tour of Old Mexico and return. Leaving Decatur Thursday, Feb. 17th. Personally conducted. $240.00 includes all expenses. For itinerary call at city ticket office.

Cleveland, Ohio, acct. Students Volunteer Movement for Foreign Missions, $12.45 round trip. Sell Feb. 22nd and 23rd; good returning till Feb. 28th.

Champaign acct. Illinois Farmers Institute. $1.85 round trip. Tickets sold Feb. 22nd and 23rd, good returning till Feb. 25th.

New Orleans and Mobile account Mardi Gras. One fare round trip. Sell Feb. 15th to 25th. Good returning for 16 days.

Chattanooga account National Educational Association Department of Superintendence. One fare round trip. Sell Feb. 20 and 21. Good returning till Feb. 28th.

Topeka, Kan., account National Buttermakers Association. One fare round trip. Sell Feb. 19th to 24th inclusive. Good returning till Feb. 28th.

Account Spring meetings of Merchants' Associations, at one and one third fare, on certificate plan: St. Louis, sell Feb. 20 to 27; March 6 to 13; April 3 to 16. Chicago, sell Feb. 23 to March 7; March 30 to April 6. Milwaukee, sell Feb. 23 to March 2.

For full information regarding dates of sale limits of tickets, rates, maps and descriptive advertising matter, write or apply to C. A. Pollock, passenger and ticket agent Wabash railroad, Decatur, Ills.

I., D. & W. Railway Excursions.

Excursion tickets at greatly reduced rates to the following points:

Home seekers excursions to principal points in the south, on the first and third Tuesdays of each month. Good returning every Tuesday or Friday for twenty-one days. One fare plus $2 for round trip.

One way settlers' tickets sold to the South on the first and third Tuesdays of each month at greatly reduced rates.

Winter tourist tickets to the principal resorts in the south now on sale.

For full information regarding dates of sale, limits of tickets, rate, maps and descriptive advertising matter write or apply to K. Harwood, General Agent, or C. A. Pollock, Ticket Agent I. D. & W. Railroad, Decatur, Ill.

Through Buffet Sleeping Car to Mackinaw, Mich.

Commencing June 21st, the Vandalia Line will resume through Pullman Buffet Sleeping Car Service between St. Louis and Mackinaw. Sleepers will run via Terre Haute, St. Joseph, Grand Rapids and Petoskey-Bay View. This will be the only line of through cars from St. Louis to the delightful and cool resorts of Michigan. South-bound the last sleeping car for the season will leave Mackinaw Sunday night, September 26, 1897. For detailed information address nearest Vandalia Line Agent, or E. A. Ford, General Passenger Agent, St. Louis.


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The Woman's Home Missionary society of Grace M. E. church will meet at the residence of Mrs. Conklin, corner of Franklin and Eldorado streets at 2:30 tomorrow (Tuesday) afternoon. A full attendance is desired. Laura W. Kennedy, Secretary.

### Valentines.

They are surprises in beauty. Call at L. Chodat's News House.

### Thanks.

We wish to thank our friends and neighbors for the kindness they have shown us through the sickness and burial of our mother and wife; also for the beautiful floral offerings.

Jacob Hanes and Family.

### Cheap Rates to Mobile.

Account Mardi Gras the Wabash R. R. will on Saturday, February 19 and Sunday, February 20, sell tickets to Mobile and return via St. Louis and M. & O. railway, good returning six days, at $11.05. Good returning 10 days at $13.55. For particulars call at city or depot office. 11-d8t


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### A LITTLE NONSENSE.

—"I cured my husband of finding fault with the coffee." "How?" "I let him make it himself one morning."—Chicago Record.

—"I thought you said you saw prosperous times ahead." "Well, I thought I did; but the heiress I had my eye on wouldn't have me."—Tit-Bits.

—Exceptions.—"Oratory is a gift," remarked the admiring constituent. "Well," replied Farmer Corntossel, "mostly it is. But now and then a man gets good enough at it to charge you fur listenin'."—Washington Star.

—"Alfonso," said Mrs. Midas, "here is a heading in this paper that says: 'Had One Wife Too Many.' The rest of the article is torn off. How many wives do you think the brute had?" "One, probably," was Midas' prompt reply.—Detroit Free Press.

—Not Much Choice.—"I don't know which is worse," muttered young Blunderheels at the reception, retreating to a corner and wiping his perspiring brow, "but I believe I would rather be run over by a train than to step on one!"—Chicago Tribune.

—Like a Woman.—Mattie—"Why have you continually stared at that couple across the way for the last half hour?" Helen—"Oh, I was merely watching their actions. They were only married yesterday." Mattie—"That's just like you. You never miss an opportunity to contemplate matrimony."—Chicago News.

—One Way.—"Miss Daisy, you are writing to that little brother of yours who is visiting out west, aren't you?" "Yes. He's a dear little fellow. I miss him so much." "He is, indeed. Have you sealed the letter yet, Miss Daisy?" "Not yet." "Add the postscript, if you please, and tell him I want to know how he would like me for a big brother." (Demurely)—"Mr. Spoonamore, it will be at least two weeks before you get an answer—if you ask him." (And the matter was settled in about two minutes.)—Chicago Tribune.


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## Sermons and Notes at Various Churches.

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**Large Attendance at the Various Sanctuaries—Echoes from Church Societies—Meeting for the Week.**

At the First Baptist church Sunday morning Rev. S. H. Bowyer spoke to a large congregation on the "Great Teacher and His Teachings," taking for his text John III.-II: "Rabbi, we know thou art a teacher come from God." Rev. Bowyer said in part:

Teaching is an art, an attainment very few people really reach. Christ as a teacher gave us a perfect example. His perfect knowledge of all truth gave him pre-eminent qualifications. Inimitable was as his knowledge he was an humble teacher, as shown in the fact that he adapted himself to individual conditions, reaching the poor and humble as well as those of greater understanding. He was an authoritative teacher. He taught as one having authority, himself the final answer to all questions. As a Sunday school teacher, as a Christian teacher, his manner of teaching commends itself to all. Christ did more than make assertions. The final and absolute proof of his teachings was given in the manner in which he lived. His doctrines were illustrated by his daily life. He adjusted himself to conditions and the ability of the people to understand. He taught before the people simple lessons of truth clothed in thoughts familiar to all, yet which conveyed blessings to be had in the kingdom of God. He taught the greatest truths by illustrating them with familiar figures of speech. His lessons were taught with great earnestness and patience. "Never man spake like this man." He came to reveal a new and living way to give perfect example of the law of life. He taught not what the people wanted to hear but what he understood them to need. He touched every side of life. His christianity was not only intellectual in development, but spiritual. Let us remember his example that in our work as teachers we live the lessons we would have others believe.

Because of the great interest displayed, the meetings which are being held at East Park chapel will be continued tonight and tomorrow night and possibly longer. The work of Rev. Bowyer in this direction last week resulted in 15 applicants for membership in the church.

The ladies of the First Baptist church will serve a supper at the church on Thursday evening from 5 to 7 o'clock. Following the supper W. L. Smith will give his exhibition of living pictures and there will be several graphaphone selections.

The choir for the Baptist church has been permanently organized and is composed of Mrs. Adolph Mueller, Mrs. Wilmuth, Harry Kepler and Wm. Lindamood. Miss Neta Clark is organist.

FIRST M. E. CHURCH.

The series of meetings which have been in progress at the First M. E. church for the past three weeks were closed last night. These meetings were productive of much good, being a large number of accessions to the church.

The official board of the First M. E. church will hold a meeting at the church this evening.

The ladies of the First M. E. church will hold a business and social meeting at the church on Friday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock.

The Woman's Home Missionary society of the First M. E. church met this afternoon at 2:30, at room No. 1.

The services at Wesley church were conducted by Rev. N. W. Woodford yesterday morning. The subject of Rev. Woodford's talk was the "Secret of Happiness."

The Epworth League of the Wesley will entertain the Epworth League of Asbury chapel at their meeting on Friday evening. A social program will be given after the devotional exercises.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

The calendar for the meetings of the First Presbyterian church for this week is as follows:

Junor Endeavor Saturday at 1:30 p. m.

Meeting for Bible study Friday evening at 7:15.

Class in Literature Wednesday afternoon at church parlors at 2:30.

Annual meeting of the Ladies' Aid society at the church on Friday afternoon at 2:30. Yearly reports and election of officers.

There will be a valentine social at Westminster chapel this evening under the direction of the young peope of the Sunday school. Admission 15 cents, which will include refreshments.

One of the three Sunday school mass meetings will be held at this church on next Sunday evening at 7:30. Mrs. S. M. Lamoreaux will have charge of the services.

CHRISTIAN CHURCH.

There was a large audience at the Edward Street Christian church yesterday morning and evening. Three new members were received at the meeting yesterday morning They were Mrs. Will Dillehunt, Mrs. S. League and daughter. Miss Hale of Peoria spoke at the Sunday school and morning services in behalf of the Ladies' Aid society of Eureka college.

The Junior C. E. society of the church will give an entertainment on Friday evening. Refreshments will be served and the 15 cents which will be charged for admission will include refreshments. The proceeds of the entertainment will go to the fund which was pledged by the society on payment of the church debt.

$100 FOR CUBA.

At Grace M. E. church last evening the Epworth League held a very successful meeting with the above object. Mr. J. L. Spence, the president, was in the chair. Rev. J. W. Crane offered prayer, and the pastor opened the speaking with a summary of the island and its needs. Mr. A. M. Taylor gave the statistics of the situation and portrayed the horrors of the war and the starvation. Mr. Edward Wilson made the principal address, replete with facts, eloquent in diction and pathetic in appeal. The plate collection amounted to $72, with a prospect of enough to make it $100, which the League will send to the "Christian Herald Fund." The Choir sang "Lend a Hand" in very effective style.

## BALL TO-NIGHT.

**City Electric Street Car Men and Friends at the Armory.**

One of the most enjoyable social functions of the winter will occur tonight at Guards' armory, with the gallant employes of the City Electric Street Railway company as the hosts. The best of music has been secured for the occasion—the opera house orchestra, and the hall has been elaborately decorated with electric and other effects. The "Cars all on Time" march will inaugurate the ball and all down the line will pass the greeting "Enjoy Yourselves." There are 24 attractive dances on the program and there will be plenty of extras.

The committeemen in charge of the ball are as follows:

Committee on Arrangements—Pete Brilley, Charles Rambo, Cliff Wagy, Sol. Ray, Sam Shelby, Mose Allison.

Committee on Hall.—Pete Brilley, Elery Kirkbride, James Gray, Mose Allison.

Committee on Finance—W. H. Chandon.

Reception Committee—Charles Starr, Charles Rambo, John Wagy, A. Rambo, Fred Ferguson.

Floor Managers—E. Kirkbride, E. Butler, Mose Allison Sol. Ray, Pete Brilley.

Doors—Brooks Ferguson, Sam Shelby.

## A SMOOTH SWINDLER.

**West End Ladies Touched for Dollars by a Stranger.**

A clever swindle was worked among the women of the west end of Decatur last week. The success of the scheme was proof of the theory that success in any line in life depends on the efforts of the individual. The story told was an old one and the method of attack the same in each case. A man representing himself as the agent of a lightning rod company called at several of the more pretentious homes and informed the owners that their lightning rods were out of repair and that he was sent by the company to fix them. He took especial care to make his visits when the head of the house was out, generally calling about 3 o'clock in the afternoon. At least five or six of the residents of West Macon street and vicinity allowed the supposed repairs to be made and paid the sum demanded for the work. In no case was the amount collected for the work less than $1 and in many instances $2 and even $4 were collected.

## ELECTED A CHAIRMAN.

**Republicans of Fourteenth District of Decatur Township Hold a Meeting.**

The Republicans of the old 14th district of Decatur township held a meeting Saturday night. The purpose of the meeting was to elect a chairman to fill the unexpired term of George Bell, who has removed from the city. Alexander McIntosh was chosen as chairman. There was no other business. The old 14th is the district now known as the 18th. It comprises all the territory west of that part of North Main street north of the Wabash railroad and south of Marrietta street and the Mt. Pulaski road to the township line.

### Will Remain in Decatur.

Miss Jennie Taylor will remain in the millinery business at her old stand on North Water street. Miss Sheehy and Mrs. Smart, to whom Miss Taylor had sold her stock of fixtures, reconsidered their decision to go into business and Miss Taylor will remain.

### Masonic.

Stated communication of Ionic lodge, No. 312, A. F. & A. M., this evening, February 14, at 7:30 o'clock. Enos Kepler, W. M.; J. S. McClelland, Secretary.

### Will Teach Art Embroidery.

Miss Mildred Thomas of Maroa is in the city organizing a class in art embroidery.

"The Marshall County Poultry Show" is in process of organization at Wenona.

# DEATH RECORD

## Mrs. W. T. Downing Passed Away Sunday.

## WAS AN INVALID FOR YEARS

**Death of W. R. Cole, a Resident of Dalton City, and the Infant Child of Thomas Green of Long Creek.**

Mrs. Ida A. Downing, wife of William T. Downing, died at 12:30 p. m., Sunday, February 13, at the family residence north of the city, aged 40 years. Her death was caused by a complication of diseases.

The death of Mrs. Downing was not unexpected by her friends and family as she has been seriously ill for the past five months. Mrs. Downing has been an invalid for the past four years. Her health gradually failed and about five months ago her condition became much worse and since then her death has been expected at any time. The deceased resided in Decatur all her life and was well known and had many friends in the city.

Ida A. Davis was born February 8, 1858, at the home place north of the city, which was her late residence. She had one brother and one sister, both of whom are now dead. She was married to William T. Downing in the year 1874. Besides her husband Mrs. Downing leaves three children, Clifford O., aged 20 years; Anna Maud, aged 16 years, and William Poyntelle, aged five years She is also survived by her mother, who is 75 years old today.

The funeral will be held from St. John's Episcopal church Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock. The services will be conducted by Rev. W. Bedford-Jones and the burial will be at Greenwood cemetery

W. T. COLE.

W. T. Cole, a well known resident of Dalton City, died of a complication of diseases at his home at 8:30 o'clock Sunday afternoon, aged 76 years. Mr. Cole was well known in the vicinity of Dalton City.

The funeral was held this morning at 9 o'clock from the Presbyterian church at Dalton. The services were conducted by Rev. Clement and the burial was at the New Hope cemetery.

DEATH OF AN INFANT.

The two months old child of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Green, living in Long Creek township, died at 8:10 p. m. Sunday, at the family residence.

The funeral was held at 3 o'clock this afternoon and the interment was at the Long Creek cemetery.

JAMES P. ATKIN.

James P. Atkin, aged 28 years, died of stomach trouble Friday, February 11, at 5:30 o'clock at Peru, Indiana. The deceased was a telegraph operator for the Wabash railroad and was located at Delphi, Indiana. When he was taken ill he went to the railroad hospital at Peru. He leaves a wife and a mother and two brothers living at Mt. Vernoon. The remains were brought to Decatur Sunday afternoon at 3 30 o'clock and were taken to 345 South Webster street, the residence of Mrs. W. M. Carrick the sister-in-law of the deceased. The funeral will be held from the residence at 2:30 o'clock Tuesday and the burial will be at Greenwood cemetery.


### A Clever Trick.

It certainly looks like it, but there is really no trick about it. Anybody can try it who has Lame Back and Weak Kidneys, Malaria or nervous troubles. We mean he can cure himself right away by taking Electric Bitters. This medicine tones up the whole system, acts as a stimulant to the Liver and Kindeys, is a blood purifier and nerve tonic. It cures Constipation, Headache, Fainting Spells, Sleeplessness and Melancholy. It is purely vegetable, a mild laxative, and restores the system to its normal vigor. Try Electric Bitters and be convinced that they are a miracle worker. Every bottle guaranteed. Only 50c. a bottle at J. E. King's and C. F. Shilling's Drug Store.


### Will Select Pews for New Church.

The building committee of the Cumberland Presbyterian church will meet representatives of manufacturers of church seats at the St. Nicholas hotel tomorrow for the purpose of selecting the pews for the new church.


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# CONGRESS

## Senators Still Calling for Facts as to Cuba.

## ROW ABOUT KANSAS PACIFIC

**Mr. Harris' Voice is Heard—Big Loss as the Result of Cleveland's Course—Foreign Cuban News.**

Washington, Feb. 15.—In the senate Senator Pettus of Alabama, secured the passage of a resolution calling on the president for information as to action taken in reference to the murder of Lopez, a United States citizen, by the Spanish soldiers in Cuba in April, 1896.

THE KANSAS PACIFIC

The resolution introduced by Mr. Harris of Kansas yesterday, asking the attorney general for information relative to the government agreement with the reorganization committee of the Union Pacific concerning the Kansas Pacific branch, came up. Senator Harris said that for a long time the Union Pacific has tried to induce congress and the officials of the government to scale down the road's indebtedness 50 per cent, but had been unsuccessful until a year ago last January, when an arrangement was made with the Cleveland administration under which the government compromised with a loss to the latter of $28,000,000. Senator Harris said that public sentiment was aroused against it and the arrangement was not carried out.

The Harris resolution passed. It is as follows: "Resolved, That the attorney general is directed to inform the senate if he has authorized the abandonment of his expressed intention to redeem the first mortgage bonds issued by Union Pacific railroad company, eastern division, now the Kansas Pacific division of the Union Pacific railway, and asked the postponement of the sale thereof and for the appointment of a receiver therefor in the interests of the government of the United States; if he has authorized an agreement by which said property is to be sold for the face value subsidy bonds resulting in loss to the government of $6,624,007 and if the government has agreed not to be a bidder at said sale."

The house passed the senate bill to amend the navigation laws of the United States. It was explaind that the bill was prepared by the treasury department and is designed to protect our sea coast trade along the Pacific coast with Alaska.

The committee on military refused a favorable report on the bill authorizing any sect to erect a building for rielgious worship on any military reservation of the country.

CABINET MEETING.

Washington, Feb. 15.—The cabinet meeting today was short and unimportant. The De Lome incident was not considered.

## SPANISH CABINET ACTS.

**Bernabe Appointed De Lome's Successor—Woodford's Note.**

Madrid, Feb. 15.—The cabinet met at 5 o'clock yesterday afternoon and discussed the present state of the war in Cuba and the De Lome matter at great length.

It was decided to publish a decree accepting the resignation of Senor Dupuy de Lome as minister at Washington, and appointing Senor Louis Polo Bernabe as his successor.

A decree will also be issued convening the chambers before the end of this month, so as to enable the election of the new cortes, to occur on March 20.

Senor Gullon, minister of foreign affairs, informed the cabinet that the United States minister, Woodford, had just handed him a note referring to Senor Dupuy de Lome's letter, and to the meaning of several paragraphs in it.

Senor Louis Polo Bernabe is a son of Vice Admiral Polo, who formerly represented Spain in this country. Senor Bernabe is now engaged in a special department of the foreign ministry at Marid, dealing with commercial matters and consulates.

**Spaniards Are for War.**

London, Feb. 15.—A Madrid special says: The populace of the city is greatly enraged owing to the belief that the cabinet has apologized to the United States. The people greatly opposed to such a course are exceedingly hostile to the government and may make a demonstration. The dispatch continues: "The people prefer war to an apology, thinking that Spain will suffer least thereby, as the war would be exceedingly disastrous to the large commerce of the United States."